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SPAULDING-HALL HOUSE
Lowell Street

Historical Sketch

Fulling Mill and Lime Kiln

Hoop Advertisement

Elmon B. Rose Family

Poem: "The Water Mill"

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Residence of Arthur L. Hall-
Built 1849.

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Hook Mill
on Arthur Hall estate-
Situated on River Meadow brook-
demolished 1935.

Spaulding-Hall house-

Lowell Road-

This house was begun in the summer of 1842 when young Zebulun Spaulding was going to be married. He lived with his parents on the Spaulding-Hart place, and was engaged to be married to his neighbor, Miss Malvina Robbins. Together they planned to make their home on this spot.

While at work he caught cold, contracted pneumonia and died, leaving his house unfinished, and changing the course of Miss Robbins' life. She lived to be nearly 91 years old, never married, and always faithful to the memory of the man she had expected to marry. She carried her summer flowers to Zebulun's grave as long as she was able to do so.

The house was taken over by Selar Simonds whose wife Clarissa was Zebulun's sister. After it was completed, he and his wife lived here many years, during which time Mr. Simonds was very active in town affairs. He was an educated and versatile man. A sketch of his life can be found in the history of the Nutting-Kohlrausch house. Clarissa died in 1855, but her husband survived her nearly forty years, dying in 1894 at the age of 91 years.

Although Mr. Simonds did not live here all the time, he continued to own this place until June 4-1886 when it was purchased by Mr. Elmon B. Rose who had occupied it with his family for two years, and who now made plans to remain. After being here thirty one years, he died Sept. 14-1917. His daughter, Etta M. Rose married Arthur Hall, and together with her widowed mother, they stayed in their old home. Mr. Rose added a bay window on the south side of the house, three years after coming here, and it became the private conservatory of Mrs. Rose's flowers, of which she was extremely fond. The windows were filled with masses of blooms at all seasons of the year. Mrs Rose died in 1923 after years of frail health, and in June of 1937 Mrs Etta Hall passed away. The property has now passed out of the family. The new owner has taken off the front piazza entrance and made changes in the ell.

Mr. Elmon B. Rose was a successful business man and operated the hoop mill on River Meadow Brook not far from his house. This has now fallen into decay and disappeared. It was the last of a succession of occupants of this excellent

First Fulling Mill.

[From History of Chelmsford, Mass. by Waters. p. 51.]

"The first Fulling mill, for the dressing of the homespun cloth, is indicated by a vote of the town (Chelmsford) Feb. 2-1691.

" on the day above leftenant John barett and his sonn Jonathan barett propounding for libarty to erect a fuling mill on the mill brook it was by vote granted and ther was chosen on the day above to setell this mater

captine richardson
and Joseph farwell se
and Thomas parker
commity"

[First book - p. 188]

This mill was probably in the present town of Carlisle near the road leading to that town from Chelmsford. The two Barretts mentioned in the vote lived in that neighborhood at the time.

There are several mill sites on the stream in that section, one of which is still in use."

Lime.

Artemas Parker was an expert in the lime industry. He burned the last kiln of lime in Chelmsford before the business was abandoned, about 1830. After Lowell was built, wood brought too large a price to be burned in lime kilns, and the lime works at Thomaston, Maine, came into competition.

In some old houses the plaster made of this lime is today almost as hard as tile. It is laid on expanded lath of oak or spruce.

An advertisement in the paper, Feb. 22-1889.

E. B. Rose & Son, of Carlisle, Mass., manufacture strapping hoops for shoe boxes. When nine feet and over in length, these straps cost at the rate of $1 for each 1000 feet. — Shoe and Leather Reporter.

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mill site.

While this land was still a part of Chelmsford, there was a mill here, but more recently we know that Henry Hoar, "wheelwright" had a shop here in 1840 and later. He also had a paint shop and did the work himself. He lived in the Garthe house which was burned, and he died in 1842.

William Green had it next. It continued as a wheelwright and paint shop.

Elmon B. Rose was the next owner. He fixed it over for a hoop mill. He made brick hoops, nail kegs and kindred wooden products. This shop evidently burned in the fall of 1883. In January 1884 this was in the town's news items:

"A new hoop factory has been erected by Mr. Elmon Rose near the site of the one recently burned. The next day after the fire, and while the old ruins were yet smouldering and smoking, the batters were placed in position for the new building, which has been gradually progressing day by day, and in less than a month after the fire, a building of about the same dimensions as the one burned, was completed, and the accustomed vocation was being pursued."

This building, after being abandoned for years, fell down in the fall of 1935, and in the course of time the wood was removed. It had almost entirely disappeared in 1937.

The pasture lands of this farm stretch back into Tophet Swamp, a very forbidding area. The farm has been productive when being worked. The stone walls bordering the Lowell road are quite remarkable for their width.

M. F. Wilkins 1941.

Rose-Hall-

Elmon Burton Rose, b. Schaghticoke, N.Y. Jan-10-1842 (per death record), d. Carlisle, Mass. Sept-14-1917, ae. 75 yrs. 8 m. 4 d.; son of Hammond & Parmelia (Benton) Rose.

married Nancy M. Robbins, b. Acton, Mass. Sept. 21-1842, (per death record), d. Carlisle, Mass. Oct. 22-1923, ae. 81 yrs. 1 m. 1 d.; dau. of Francis (b. N.H.) and Nancy (Spofford) (b. Temple N.H.) Robbins

children: (1) George E. b.
d. Carlisle, Dec. 4-1904, ae. 43-3-15
m. So. Chelmsford, Mass. Nov-1-1884, Edna J. Sweetser of Chelmsford, dau. of Charles and Mary ( ) Sweetser. He was 23 and she was 17 when they were married. She died ..... 1940. Born in Chelmsford.
ch: George Elmon, b. Carlisle, Feb-18-1905.

(2) Ina Julia, b.
d.
m. Irad B. Hall. He d. Dec. 6-1938, in Clearwater, Florida, and buried in Carlisle.

(3) Etta May, b. Carlisle (in Garthe house) Aug 14-1879,
d. " June 17-1937,
m. " June 25-1907, Arthur Leslie Hall* (nephew of Irad B. Hall, above).

(4) Francis Irving b.
d. Carlisle, July 27-1904, ae 19 yrs 3 m. 29 d.

Elmon B. Rose ran a hoop factory near his home, and in April, 1909 he was drawn into the machinery, sustaining fractures of both legs below the knees, had one shoulder blade broken and other injuries. He was then 67 years old.

Mr Elmon B. Rose was sister to Mrs Mary (Benton) Wilkins and Mrs Ida Wheeler of Billerica, and Mrs Belle Fitch of West Somerville. She was a great lover of flowers.

* Arthur L. Hall m. (2nd) Ruth E. Westby of Littleton, Mass. Oct 1937 at Framingham, Mass. res, Framingham.

The Water Mill.

From an old scrapbook.

Listen to the water-mill
All the live long day—
How the clicking of the wheel
Wears the hours away.
Languidly the autumn wind
Stirs the green wood leaves;
From the field the reapers sing
Binding up the sheaves;
And a memory o'er my mind
As a spell is cast;
"The mill will never grind
With the water that is past."

Summer winds revive no more
Leaves strewn over earth and main,
And the sickle ne'er can reap
The gathered grain again;
And the rippling stream flows on,
Tranquil, deep and still—
Never gliding back again
To the water mill.
Truly speaks the proverb old,
With a meaning vast;
"The mill will never grind
With the water that is past."

THE HARDY HOUSE
Once on Fisk Street

Historical Sketch

The Hardy Family

Deacon Eliakim Hutchins Family

Deacon Benjamin Prescott Hutchins Family

Edward Spaulding Hutchins Family

Matthias Hutchins Family

Eliakim Hutchins Jr. Family

Stephen Hutchins Family

Abraham Hutchins Family

Oliver Hutchins Family

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The Hardy House,
which stood on Fisk Street on the site now
occupied by the Elmer E. Greenwood house.
Burned in 1905.

Hardy House.

This house, destroyed by fire in March, 1905, stood upon the site now occupied by the Fadden-Symonds house on Fisk Street.

The photograph shows the building when it had two tenants: Charles Fadden and family on one side, and Matthias Peloquin and his mother and sister on the other side, the latter family shown in the picture.

Previous to this time, William Hardy's father, Daniel Hardy, bought this house from Deacon Benjamin P. Hutchins, an official of the Baptist Church, So. Chelmsford, Mass, and it was called the "Deacon Hutchins place".

The Hutchins family had several houses in this vicinity, one being on Curve Street where Paul Swanson now lives. The Hutchins house was burned; the farm buildings were saved. The slaughter house has been converted into the house in which Paul Swanson lives, and the incubator house, across the road was once the cider mill. This farm was owned by Abraham Hutchins and later by his son Abram*. Abraham Hutchins, Sr. was brother to Benjamin P. Hutchins.

Oliver Hutchins lived in the Melvin House, on Fisk St, just over the Chelmsford line, an old attractive house, which still stands. "Minister Wright" is the present owner.

The house next beyond (in Chelmsford) was owned by George Hutchins.

This Hutchins family appears to have been identified with Carlisle in earlier days, but no person by that name is now a resident here. Edgar V. Blaisdell, a resident here for many years, but now of West Acton, Mass, is a grandson of Matthias Hutchins, through maternal ancestry.

* The Robbins family formerly owned the land on which the Abraham Hutchins house stood.

Hardy.-

The Hardy family lived on Fisk Street, on the spot where "Western Lodge", the residence of Mr. Elmer E. Greenwood, is now located.

Daniel Hardy died in Carlisle, Dec 11-1872 aged 53-
(gravestone: 1820-1872)

Joanna Bartlett Pulsifer, his wife, died at South Framingham, Mass., April 8-1912, aged 88-6-23 (Gravestone 1823-1912)
Both are buried in Green Cemetery, Carlisle.

children:

1. William M. removed to Framingham, Mass.

2. Mary, A. b= d. Framingham-Dec. 18-1935
She left *200 to Carlisle Congregational Church.

3. Laura R. b= d. Framingham, Feb. 16-1923 aged 64-11-2 and is buried in Carlisle.

Laura R. Hardy taught in the East School in Carlisle. The family always took a deep interest in the religious life of the community and in the Carlisle Congregational Church, and Mary Hardy's life-long interest in the church was shown by her desire, after many years absence, to remember the church by a bequest.

Hutchins.

Deacon Eliakim Hutchins, b. Chelmsford, Mass. March 29-1769, d. Sept. 19-1851 aged 82 years,
son of Thomas and Anna Hutchins (bur. Hart Pond Cem. So Chelmsford)
married, at Westford, Mass. Feb. 22-1793,
Mary Prescott of Westford, b. Dec. 27-1772. Westford, d. June 14-1855 aged 83 years. Both buried in So. Chelmsford.
dau. of Oliver & Bethiah
(Thomas Hutchins d. Oct 15-1807 aged 78; Anna his wife d. June 8-1819 aged 86.)
Children:

1. Eliakim, b. Aug. 16-1793, m. Sibyl Robbins, May 7-1818. She d. Aug 3 1827 ae. 29
2. Benjamin Prescott, b. March 29-1795, m. Phebe Spaulding, April 23-1820.
3. Thomas, b. Aug. 19-1797, m. Nabby (Abigail) Spaulding, Nov. 27-1821.
4. Oliver, b. April 19-1800, m. Hannah Adams Spaulding, Feb. 20 1823.
5. Lucy, b. Dec. 16-1802.
6. Abram, b. May 11-1805, m. Betsey Proctor, int. Nov. 1-1834.
7. Stephen, b. June 28-1807, m. at Lyngsboro, Dec. 2-1830, Catherine Butterfield of Dunstable.
8. Mary, b. March 20-1810,
9. Solomon, b. March 17-1812, d. Feb. 28-1813 aged 1 year.

Deacon
Lt. Benjamin Prescott Hutchins, b. March 29-1795, d. Nov. 28-1882, aged 87 yrs. 8 mos., son of Eliakim and Mary (Prescott) Hutchins
married (int.) March 18-1820) in Chelmsford, Mass. April 23-1820,
Phebe Spaulding of Chelmsford, b. Nov. 3-1797, d. Jan. 4-1842 aged 44, dau. of Andrew and Ruth (Pevree) Spaulding.
9 children:

1. Benjamin Prescott, b. Sept. 24-1822, m. Martha Bonnar, June 4-1843. He died
2. Matthias, b. June 19-1824, m. Emojane W. Rugg.
3. Charles, b. Sept. 18-1826, residence, Camden, Maine.
4. Freeman, b. Feb. 28-1829, Civil War soldier from Carlisle.
5. Edward Spaulding, b. Jan. 12-1831, m. Sarah Hodgman.
6. Varnum, b. d. Illinois - 1840, Aug 28, ae 25-10-13, residence, Oregon.
7. (Mrs Asa Locke of Winchester, Mass.
8. (Mrs... Dairs of Connecticut.

Edward Spaulding Hutchins, b. Jan. 12-1831, d. March 7-1900, bur. Carlisle; Civil war soldier-; son of Benjamin P. and Phebe (Spaulding) Hutchins.

married, 1854

Sarah[8] Hodgman, b. Dec. 25-1835, d. July 4-1878, bur. in Green Cemetery, Carlisle; dau. of William F. and Martha M. (Hodgman) Hodgman.

3 children:

1. Hattie M. who d. in infancy
2. M. Lizzie, m.(1) ..... Rugg and had daughter Clara Rugg, m.(2) Hiram B. Proctor of Acton, Mass.; no children.
3. Willie E. residence Fall River, Mass.

Clara d. Carlisle Dec 7 ..... ae 8/5/21

{ Edward S. Hutchins married, 2nd, Emma J. Marshall of Chelmsford.

Matthias Hutchins, b. June 19-1824, d. Chelmsford, Aug. 24-1900 son of Dea. Benjamin P. and Phebe (Spaulding) Hutchins.

married Oct. 31-1847

Emma Jane W. Rugg of Lowell, Mass., b. 1824, d. Chelmsford, Aug. 27-1903, buried in Green Cem. Carlisle

children:

1. Hattie E. b. d. Medfield, Mass. March 27, 1897 aged 45 years.
2. Sarah Louisa, b.
   m. B. F. Blaisdell of Carlisle, as his 2nd wife.
3. .. b.
   m. Warren Heywood of Westford, Mass.

E. J. Hutchins
Carlisle Feb 24 1872

Hutchins

From Westford vital records.

Eliakim Hutchins, Jr. b. Aug. 16 - 1793, d.
son of Eliakim and Mary (Prescott) Hutchins
m. (1st.) May 7 - 1818, Sybbil Robbins. She d. Aug 3 - 1827, æ. 29.
(2nd) Dec 16 - 1828, Eunice Whitney of Stow.

children by first wife, Sybbil:
1. William Edwin, b. Sept. 15 - 1824
2. Sibbil Robbins, b. Aug 5 - 1821.

children by second wife, Eunice:
3. Isaac Whitney, b. Nov. 3 - 1829 (private rec. Nov. 9)
4. Jacob Newton b. March 3 - 1833.
5. Henery Milo b. Jan 9 - 1835
6. Eunice Francena b. March 11 - 1841
7. Emerson Everett, b. Feb. 6 - 1847 (private record - 1846)

Stephen Hutchins, b. June 28 - 1807,
son of Eliakim and Mary (Prescott) Hutchins
m. Tyngsboro, Dec. 2 - 1830, Catherine Butterfield of Dunstable.
They evidently lived for a while in Carlisle.
children:
1. Stephen Eliakim, b. Carlisle, Jan. 17 - 1832.
2. Mary Jane Taylor, b. " Dec. 17 - 1834
3. Francis Melbourne, b. Dunstable, June 15 - 1837
4. Warren Elbridge b. Westford, March 4 - 1840
5. Edward Everett b. " Nov. 17 - 1842

Thomas Hutchins of Carlisle and Esther Prescott, m. June 18 - 1792.
(church record 1 — Nov. 29)
Thomas Hutchins and Abigail Prescott, int. Aug 11 - 1818.

Abraham Hutchins.

Abraham Hutchins (also given as Abram) b. May 11-1805, d. June 15-1878 son of Eliakim and Mary (Prescott) Hutchins
married (int. Carlisle) Nov. 1-1834, Betsy Proctor of Dunstable, b. May 5-1805, d. Feb. 28-1872 aged 66 yrs 9 m. 23 days. She is buried in So. Chelmsford Cemetery at Hart Pond.
He m. (2nd) in Carlisle, 1874, May 12, at the age of 69, Martha E. Nickless, who was 22 years old. An old clipping says "This happy issue may be a disappointment to some who were looking for interesting developments in court."
Children by his first wife Betsy:

1. Ai Abram, b. May 27-1836, d. Billerica, May 27-1860 aged 24 yrs.
2. Simon b. Sept. 24-1838, d. Oct. 27-1838 aged 4 weeks 6 d.
3. Thomas Jefferson, b. Oct 17-1839, Carlisle; d. Oct. 29-1863 in Tenn.
4. Samuel Madison, b. Jan. 6-1842, d. Lowell, Mass.
5. Mial Washington, b. Jan 1-1844, d. 1925
6. ——— dau. b. Sept 11-1845
7. Mary Marcah, b. March 5-1848, d. Nov. 19-1872 aged 24/8/14.

Children by his second wife Martha Elizabeth Nickless, dau. of Stephen Josiah[5] and Martha (Conny) Nickles of Carlisle, b. April 15-1851, d. Westboro, Mass. May 17-1917 aged 66/1/2 then named Huslander.

8. Stella, who died as a child.
9. Alfred, who died in the Spanish war.

Oliver Hutchins.

Oliver Hutchins, b. April 19-1800 son of Eliakim and Mary (Prescott) Hutchins, m. int. Jan. 18-1823, Hannah Adams Spaulding, dau. of Andrew Spaulding of Chelmsford. The marriage took place in Chelmsford, Feb. 20-1823.
Children:

1. Hannah Maria, b. Aug. 27-1823
   m. George P. Dupee, Nov. 30-1843.
2. Louisa, b. March 25-1825,
   m. Charles H. Dupee of West Cambridge, carpenter (age 24) son of William & Catherine, Nov. 18-1847.

Received copy
Sam'l M. Hutchins

SPAULDING-HART HOUSE
Lowell Street

Historical Sketch

Spaulding Genealogy

- Zebulun (5) Spaulding Family
- Zebulun (6) Spaulding Family
- Spaulding-Palmer Family
- Spaulding-Warren Family

Battle of Bunker Hill from Water's "Chelmsford"

Concord Centennial and Joseph Spaulding

Oliver Spaulding Family

William Spaulding Family

Jonas Spaulding Family

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Residence of Mr. & Mrs. Daniel J. Hart

Lowell Street-

photographed Feb- 1941 by Mrs B. P. Wilkins--

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The Spaulding-Hart house.

Residence of Mr. John F. Hart.

photographed 1930 by Mrs B. P. Willsius.

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North side and west end of Hart house.

photograph, 1931.

Spaulding-Hart house. Lowell Street.

This old Spaulding house has had the date 1716 assigned to it by tradition. Mr. John F. Hart, who went through legal proceedings to recover a section of the original farm given to the town of Carlisle as a school site, and which contained a reversion clause whereby it came back if not used for school purposes, stated that the old deeds relating to this house, indicated 1716 as the date of the building. I have not seen any of the deeds but one who has made a study of the Spaulding family, cannot find any reason for this date. It is quite possible the deeds may disclose some older and more definite information.

The earliest Spaulding that we can positively connect with this house, was Thomas[4] Spaulding (Henry[3], Andrew[2], Edward[1]) who was born Aug-10-1707, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Lund) Spaulding of Chelmsford. He would be only a small boy in 1716 and could not have built it in that year, and it is doubtful if his parents lived there at all. We are sure, however that Thomas did live here, and in 1779 he was one of the petitioners who wanted Carlisle made a district. The Chelmsford history says "The desire of certain residents to be united to the people of Carlisle was granted in 1780, when Chelmsford lost some seventeen families and their farms." This area was included in that change.

Thomas was twenty-three when he married Mary Adams in 1730, in Chelmsford, daughter of Joseph and Mary ( ) Adams. Unless he bought the house already built, we might be justified in thinking he may have built this one about that time. Thomas and his wife lived here and raised their family, and died here. They are both buried in the Central Burying Ground in Carlisle, and his tombstone declares he was "An honest man, a good neighbor, a plain hearted reproover." He evidently took an active interest in civic affairs. He was made a member of the Committee of Safety in 1780 at the first Carlisle town meeting, and was also made Surveyor of Boards and Timber. The saw and grist mill on River Meadow Brook was not far from his house. In 1803 he served one year as selectman.

The house is said to be built of logs with board coverings and the thickness of the outside walls makes it seem quite plausible, for the window ledges are very deep. The style was called "English gable-end house" by the occupants, and

the building contained nineteen rooms - It has been used as a double house at times, but it has only one central chimney. There are good fire places, panelled walls upstairs, and probably when built also had the same downstairs, but today none can be seen there. The south-west room on the ground floor has a built-in "library", or corner arrangement of shelves with a glass door, for the collection of books which were precious and necessary in promoting religious life in that period. Below these shelves is a cupboard with a paneled door.

The long north kitchen has longitudinal board paneling. Some of the back windows have twenty small panes of glass, and the windows are irregular both in size and arrangement. The cellar stairs are curving and made of short lengths of solid logs. The front entry is narrow and has winding stairs going to the second floor. The rooms are on several different levels. The front door is on the south side and has side lights and a flat canopy supported by small square pillars, obviously an addition to the original entrance. The type of house suggests that it is one of the oldest in town, and also one of the largest of the ancient land-marks. It has been occupied by at least four generations of Spauldings for a period covering a century or more.

The Spaulding family was very early in Chelmsford. Edward[1], born in England, came to Braintree and then to Chelmsford. His wife's name is unknown. Their son Andrew[2] Spaulding married Hannah Jefts, and was in Billerica and in the Spaulding-Hazen house in Chelmsford. Henry[3], second son of Andrew and Hannah, married Elizabeth Lund and also lived in that house. Their son Thomas[4], b. Aug 10-1707 in Chelmsford, died Aug. 13 1795 in Carlisle at the age of 88 years and 3 days. He married Mary Adams in 1730 and came to this Spaulding-Hart house to live, now in Carlisle, but then in Chelmsford.

Zebulun[5], their son, was born in Chelmsford, Nov. 12-1741 and died in Carlisle April 11-1829 aged 87 years. He married twice: first, on Feb. 12-1767 at Westford, to Lydia Wright of Westford, and second, to Mary Fletcher of Chelmsford, Nov. 21-1771 (private record says Oct. 21) daughter of Josiah and Mary (Chamberlain) Fletcher. Zebulun and Mary are buried in the Central Burying Ground in Carlisle.

Zebulun[5] Spaulding was Carlisle's first town clerk and served as such for five years, 1780-1784 inclusive. He was selectman

in 1780, 1783 and 1784, and also held office at the same time as assessor and overseer of the poor.

Zebulun[6] Spaulding, Jr., called "Lun Spaulding" was born in Chelmsford Oct. 30-1779 and died in Carlisle Feb. 18-1854 at the age of 74. Living all the time in the same house, the town name changes because of territorial changes and the moving of town bounds. He also married twice: first, to Dorcas Parker (1781-1825) at Westford, June 5-1806, and second, to Dorothy B..... who died June 9-1880 aged 82 years. Dorcas is buried in the old Central Burying Ground, and Zebulun and Dorothy B. are buried in Green Cemetery.

Zebulun[7] Spaulding, son of Zebulun[6] and Dorcas, and third of that name in a direct line, was b. March 8-1815 in Carlisle, became betrothed to Miss Malvina Robbins of this town, and was building a house in which to establish his home, when he caught cold, developed pneumonia and died, July 21-1842 at the age of 27. Miss Robbins never married. The unfinished house, later called the Elmon Rose house, was taken over by Selar Simonds, his sister Clarissa's husband, completed and occupied by them for some years.

This last Zebulun Spaulding died when his father was still living, but out of his father's seven children, we know that five had died and possibly six, as I have no death record of Dorcas who married Charles Hewes of Pepperell.

Mary Amanda[7], b. April 3-1807, the oldest daughter of Zebulun and Dorcas, married first, Jeptha Parker of Chelmsford, at Boston, Nov. 9-1843, and second, Dr. John Kingsley Palmer, a native of Townsend, but resident of Cambridge, connected with the New England Medical College in Boston. After she was widowed, she came back to Carlisle to live on the ancestral farm and remained here till her death, April 17-1883 at the age of 76 years. She is buried in Townsend, Mass.

In the summer following her demise, there was an auction of the furnishings of the Spaulding house. A very lovely little silver tea strainer, bearing the initials, M.A.S. (Mary Amanda Spaulding) was one of the articles bought by Mrs Mary A. Green, and through her gift is now in the possession of writer of this sketch. This no doubt can be dated from 1843 when Mary Amanda was first married as it bears her maiden initials.

Mrs Palmer was an expert needle worker and accomplished in making wax flowers, fruits and vegetables - She gave lessons in these arts while living in this old Spaulding house, in her early years.

Sebra Bartlett and his wife Mercy Adams, daughter of Benjamin Adams, came to live here and remained for many years.

In 1906, John F. Hart purchased the farm, although he and his brother Charles had carried it on prior to that time - Mr. Hart, with the assistance of his boys, has since made this a very productive spot from which his excellent vegetables and fruit have gone regularly to the Boston markets

During the time Mr. Hart has owned it, steps were taken to recover the land on which the North School House is located, and take over the unused brick building.

In 1828 the owner of this farm made a piece of land available on which to build a school house, with a reversion clause which more than a century later was destined to become effective - Benjamin Barrett was instructed to build a school house at an expense to the town, of $552.62, and in 1869 it was thoroughly repaired at an expense of $582.52. It was a brick building of good design. The children of the North District attended school here until the consolidation of the grades in 1908 when the Highland School was built. The district schools were then closed, and after some years legal proceedings were instituted and the North school property reverted to the owner of the original farm. Mr. Hart changed the arched entrance to allow a different type of door to be installed, and now uses the former school building for vegetable storage.

In one of the Presidential campaigns, a log house mounted on a platform and accompanied by musicians, was dragged over the road from Lowell to Concord, Mass, and branches of the oak tree opposite the Spaulding house, were cut off to allow it to pass, leaving permanent scars. It was in 1840 when Benjamin Harrison was the Whig nominee for President - By his opponents he was said to live in a log cabin and given to the habit of drinking hard cider. Their reproaches were turned into watchwords by the Whigs and aroused unprecedented enthusiasm - The scars on the big oak are visible yet, but the political

procession seemed to make the sacrifice of a big limb worth while at that time.

The farm is now being carried on by Mr. Daniel J. Hart who lives in the house which has recently been much improved and modernized in equipment.

I wish the old house could speak and tell us of the happenings of two centuries which it has experienced or seen as it has stood beside the much-travelled road. It would be an absorbing tale, I know.

M. F. Wilkins - 1941.

Lt. Zebulun Spaulding was paid 4 s. 8 d. for taking the Deed of the Meetinghouse lot to be recorded, Sept. 21 - 1785.

From Carlisle Town Book.

This would be Zebulun[5] Spaulding, our first town clerk.

Spaulding-

I Edward Spaulding (Eng - 1670) An original settler of Chelmsford.

II Andrew Spaulding, b. Nov. 19 - 1652, d. May 5 - 1713.
m. Hannah Jefts, dau. of Henry Jefts, April 30 - 1674. She was the third child and first girl born in Billerica. She d. Jan. 21 - 1730 was in the Spaulding - Hazen house in Chelmsford.
9 children: Andrew, b. Mar. 25 - 1678; Henry, b. Nov. 2 - 1680; John, b. Aug. 20 - 1682; Rachel, b. Sept. 26 - 1685; William, b. Aug. 3 - 1688; Johanna, b. Oct. 8 - 1689/90; Bennony, b. Feb. 6 - 1691; Mary, b. Dec. 5 - 169[5]; Andrew, b. Jan 6 - 1728/9.

III Henry Spaulding, b. Nov. 2 - 1680, Chelmsford, d. April 5 - 1718 ae 38/5/3. son of Andrew and Hannah (Jefts) Spaulding.
Had home in Spaulding - Hazen house in Chelmsford.
He m. Elizabeth Lund, dau. of Thomas Lund, Sr. in 1701 or 2.
ch: Henry, b. Nov. 22 - 1704; Thomas, b. Aug 10 - 1707; William, b. Mar. 17 - 1711; Lenord, b. Dec. 1 - 1713; Eleazer, b. May 29 - 1717.

IV Thomas Spaulding, b. Aug 10 - 1707, Chelmsford, d. Aug 13 - 1795, in Carlisle, aged 88 yrs 3 days - son of Henry and Elizabeth (Lund) Spaulding.
Came to Carlisle, to Spaulding - Hart house.
m. int. Chelmsford, March 13 - 1730/31, Mary Adams, b. July 1 - 1707 (?) Chelmsford (?), d. Oct. 17 - 1788 in Carlisle, ae. 81/3/16, dau. of Joseph and Mary ( ) Adams.
Thomas and Mary are buried in Central Burying Ground, Carlisle.

V Zebulun Spaulding, b. Nov. 12 - 1741, Chelmsford; d. April 11 - 1829 ae. 87. son of Thomas and Mary (Adams) Spaulding.
m. (1st) Lydia Wright of Westford, Feb. 12 - 1767 at Westford.
(2nd) Mary Fletcher of Chelmsford, Nov. 21 - 1771 (private record says Oct. 21). b. Dec. 10 - 1748 Chelmsford; d. June 9 - 1803 aged 54, dau. of Josiah & Mary (Chamberlain) Fletcher.

VI Zebulun Spaulding, b. Oct. 30 - 1779, Chelmsford; d. Carlisle, Feb. 18 - 1854 aged 74. son of Zebulun & Mary (Fletcher) Spaulding.
m. (1st) Dorcas Parker, b. d. March 19 - 1825 ae 44.
married June 5 - 1806 at Westford.
m. (2nd) Dorothy B--- who d. June 9 - 1880 aged 82.
Dorcas is buried in old cemetery, Carlisle, and Zebulun and Dorothy B. are buried in Green Cemetery, Carlisle.

VII Zebulun Spaulding, b. March 8 - 1815, in Carlisle; d. July 21 - 1842 ae. 27. a twin of Dorcas; son of Zebulun & Dorcas (Parker) Spaulding; unmarried.

Zebulun[5] Spaulding.

Zebulun[5] Spaulding, b. Nov. 12-1741 in Chelmsford, d. April 11 1829 aged 87, son of Thomas[4] and Mary (Adams) Spaulding.
m. (1st) Westford, Feb. 12-1767, Lydia Wright of Westford.
(2nd) Nov. 21-1771 (or Oct 21) Mary Fletcher, b. Chelmsford, Dec. 10-1748, d. Carlisle, June 9-1803 aged 54, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Chamberlain) Fletcher. Zebulun and Mary are buried in the Central Burying Ground, Carlisle.

Children:

1. Mary, b. Chelmsford, Sept. 21-1772, m. Joseph Warren Jr. 1794.
2. Esther, b. " April 7-1774
3. Thomas, b. " Dec. 27-1775
4. Huldah, b. " June 21-1777, m. Henry Fletcher, 1810
5. Zebulun[6], b. " Oct. 30-1779, m. Dorcas Parker, 1806
6. Solomon, b. " April 25-1781, d. April 25-1783 aged 2 yrs.
7. Ruth, b. Carlisle Aug 25-1783, d. Oct. 16-1861
8. Sarah, b. " Sept. 10-1785, d. Sept. 11-1849 aged 64.
9. Amos,[6] b. " Nov. 30-1788, d. Nov. 6-1865 aged 76 y. 11 m.
10 Hannah, b. " Oct. 26-1790.
11. Arelise b. " Nov. 28-1792.

The Hon. Amos[6] Spaulding (1788-1865) graduated from Dartmouth College in 1805, settled in Andover, Mass. where he practiced law; for several years he was elected to the Massachusetts Legislature, serving in both the House and Senate. Before his death he lost his mind and was confined to his room for several years. He had returned to his birthplace, the Spaulding-Hart house in Carlisle in later life. While in Andover, his marriage intentions were published (Andover, Nov. 20-1832, to Elizabeth B. Phillips) but the marriage never took place. He died a bachelor and is buried in Green Cemetery, Carlisle.

Zebulun[6] Spaulding.

Zebulun[6] Spaulding, b. Chelmsford, Oct. 30-1779, d. Carlisle, Feb. 18 1854 aged 74; He married, Westford, June 5-1806, Dorcas Parker who d. March 19-1825 aged 44. Zebulun and Dorcas are buried in Green Cemetery, Carlisle.

Children 1. Mary Amanda, b. April 3-1807, d. Carlisle, April 17-1883 aged 76. buried in Townsend, Mass. She m. (1st) Jephtha Parker at Boston, Nov. 9-1843; m. (2nd) Dr. John K. Pulmer, Aug 2-1854
2. Cleora, b. Jan 13-1809, d. Dec. 2-1838 aged 29
3. Clarissa, b. Aug 29-1810, d. April 7-1855, m. Oct 20-1834, Selar

Simonds. Both are buried in Green Cemetery.

4. Solomon Parker, b. Sept. 13-1812
5. Zebulun. } twins, b. March 8-1815 { d. Jan 21-1842 aged 27
6. Dorcas } ---------- { m. Charles Hewes of Pepperell.
7. Imla, b. June 22-1818, d. Dec. 16-1842 aged 24.

Spaulding-Palmer.

Dr. John Quincy Palmer, son of David and Chloe ( ) Palmer, was a native of Townsend, Mass, but of Malden, Mass at the time of his marriage, Aug. 2-1854, to Mrs Mary Amanda (Spaulding) Parker of Carlisle, daughter of Zebulun and Dorcas (Parker) Spaulding.
Dr. Palmer was connected with the New England Female Medical College, Boston.

Spaulding-Warren.

Joseph Warren, Jr. m. 1794, Mary Spaulding, dau. of Zebulun and Mary (Fletcher) Spaulding.

Children: Joseph
Miriam
Sarah, m. Benjamin Spaulding.

Spaulding -

I Edward Spaulding, one of the original settlers of Chelmsford in 1654 and until his death Feb. 26-1670, a leading citizen. He was b. in England, came to Braintree, Mass., about 1633. Wife's name is not known. Children b. in Braintree

II His son Andrew Spaulding, b. Nov. 19-1652 and d. May 5-1713, married April 30-1674. Hannah Jefts, daughter of Henry Jefts. She was the third child and first girl born in Billerica. She d. Jan 21-1730. They had nine children. The eighth was: Benoni. 1. Hannah, 2. Andrew, 3. Henry, 4. John, 5 Rachel, 6 William 7. Joanna, 8. Benoni, 9 Mary.

III Benoni Spaulding, b. Feb. 6-1691. He married Rebecca ------ who d. Jan 8-1741-2 and he married Dec. 21-1743, Esther Chamberlain, widow of William Chamberlain. He died Dec. 17-1752. His daughter Rebecca, b. Aug 20-1722, married Aug. 4-1740 Jonas Adams of Chelmsford. His other children were Mary, (Rebecca) Benjamin, Edward, Asa, Rachel, Hannah, Joanna.

IV Asa Spaulding, son of Benoni, b. May 26-1729, married Jan 10-1750, Anna Crosby. Their children were Anna, Rebecca, Asa, b. 1755, Rebecca, Benoni, Sibbel, [b. Jan. 13-1763, married April 30-1782, Ephraim Robbins of Carlisle; d. 1821] Rachel, Esther, Thomas.

V Benoni Spaulding, son of Asa, b. Dec. 18-1760, married April 1-1790, Lydia Duren, dau. of Abraham Duren. He died Sept 25-1839 and she died March 3-1862. Their children were: Asa (a farmer in Bedford & Lincoln, Mass. b. June 25-1790, d. Feb. 20-1847, killed by a locomotive. Had 7 children) Lydia, Anna, (b. Feb. 11-1793, married John Duren) Benoni, Abby, Sally, Abraham, Benjamin, Olive (who married her cousin Edward) Warren, Isaac and Jacob (twins)

Chelmsford became a town in 1653, having been granted in 1653 to inhabitants of Woburn and Concord. Its Indian name was Pawtucket.

"The desire of certain residents to be united to the people of Carlisle was granted in 1780, when Chelmsford lost some seventeen families and their farms." (From Drake's History)

Battle of Bunker Hill- June 17-1775.

[From History of Chelmsford, by Waters. p. 225]

"When the preparations for the battle began, the gallant Captain (Ford) who had no taste for inactivity, obtained permission from the General to withdraw his company privately and march directly to the scene of action, to reinforce the troops. The marched across Charlestown neck, which was being raked by cannon from the British ships, and were proceeding down Bunker Hill when they were met by Genl. Putnam, who ordered Capt. Ford, with his company, to draw the cannon, which had been deserted by Capt. Callender and left at the foot of the hill, into the line. The Captain at first remonstrated on the ground that his company were ignorant of the management of artillery, many never having seen a cannon before, but finally obeyed 'and moved with the cannon and the General himself to the rail fence', which they reached just before the battle began." It was here that Joseph Spaulding of Ford's Company, being unable to restrain his impetuosity, began the battle by firing the first gun. It was from the hand of General Putnam that he received a blow on the head for it, and the General threatened to cut down with his sword the next offender who dared to risk the waste of another musket charge. It is related that Spaulding always declared that he killed Major Pitcairn, and Farmer's Geneological Register so states. It is thus recorded in the Chelmsford church record. He may have aimed at the Major, who, having been twice wounded, again placed himself at the head of his forces, and fell with four balls in his body. He did not die on the field.

The first shot. (p. 231.)

Joseph Spaulding, who fired the first gun at Bunker Hill, was born April 18-1756, the son of Robert and Hesediah (Johnson) Spaulding. Lt. Robert was the son of Lt. John, a member of Capt. Robert Richardson's snow-shoe company in Lovewell's war. His brother Joseph, b. 1728, died in the army in 1756. Lt. John was the son of Joseph, son of John, son of Edward, one of the first settlers of Chelmsford.

The inscription on his tombstone reads: (Forefathers' Cemetery)

(has Revolutionary marker)

"Sacred to the memory of
Mr. Joseph Spalding
who died July 31-1820 Aet. 64.
in hope of eternal life which God
who cannot lie hath promised to
believers in Christ.

(over)

"He was among the brave asserters and defenders of the liberties of his country at Bunker Hill, where he opened the battle by firing upon the enemy before orders were given: & after enjoying for many years the blessings of civil & religious liberty in common with others

He 'sunk to rest
With all his countrye honor's blest.'"

He is reported to have said "I fired ahead of time, and Putnam rushed up and struck at me for violating orders. I suppose I deserved it, but I was anxious to get another good shot at Gage's men ever since our affair at Concord. The blow from "Old Put" hit me on the head, made a hole in my hat, and left a scar."
("Beside Old Hearthstones.")

At the Centennial Celebration of the Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17-1875 Chelmsford Minute Men participated. They were dressed in continental costume and carried old flint-lock muskets and powder horns. The Chelmsford Monument Ass'n aided by furnishing the banner for the occasion, which was carried by Sergeant George Spalding, grandson of Joseph Spalding.

Revolutionary Record of Joseph Spaulding.

Spaulding, Joseph, Chelmsford. Private, Capt. Oliver Barron's Co. of Militia, Col. David Green's Regt. which marched in response to the alarm of April 19, 1775; service 6 days; also, Capt. John Ford's Co., Col. Ebenezer Bridge's (27th) Regt.; order for advance pay, signed by said Spaulding and others, dated Camp at Cambridge, June 6-1775; also, same Co. and Regt.; company return dated June 15-1775; age, 20 yrs; stature 5 ft. 10 in; complexion, dark; occupation, farmer; residence, Chelmsford; enlisted April 25, 1775; also, Private, same Co. and Regt.; muster roll dated Aug 1-1775; enlisted April 25-1775; service 3 mos. 14 days; also, company return dated Sept. 25-1775.

Spaulding, Joseph. Receipt dated Chelmsford, April 19-1776, signed by said Spaulding and others, for wages for service from Feb. 5-1776, to April 1-1776, in Capt. Ford's Co., Col. Roberson's (Robinson's) Regt.

When the town of Concord celebrated the centennial of the Concord Fight, 1875, Carlisle was invited to participate - A resolution was offered at town meeting by Major B. F. Heald, which was adopted. At the conclusion of the resolution was this statement: "The town of Carlisle claims upon reliable data, that the man who fired the first gun upon the American side at Concord and killed the first British Soldier, was born and had his home within its limits. We hope this fact will be inscribed upon our banner at the coming centennial."

[The banner carried upon this occasion is now at the Gleason Public Library and has a Spaulding name on it. We do not know where to find the "reliable data" which Mr. Heald referred to, to substantiate his claim.]

Another clipping, giving account of the Centennial activities in which Carlisle participated, speaks of this banner: "Upon arriving at the confines of the village the beautiful banner painted by Mr. W. W. Phelps of Lowell, was thrown to the breeze and by the dense masses that filled the streets through which it was carried, was received with loud demonstrations of applause. The dimensions of the banner are about 6 x 7 feet, and is elegantly trimmed and mounted. Upon one side is a life size representation of a young farmer, gun in hand, leaving in haste the old homestead for the scenes "where the Embattled farmers stood." Upon the other side in gilt letters upon a blue ground is the following inscription: "Joseph Spaulding of Carlisle — the man who fired the first shot at Concord April 19 - 1775." That shot was heard round the world.

The above clippings are in a scrapbook owned by Mrs. Nettie O. Wilson of Carlisle.

Oliver Spaulding.

Oliver Spaulding, b. April 30-1793, d. Carlisle, Dec. 17-1872 aged 80.
son of Samuel (b. Carlisle) and Leafe (Durant) Spaulding (m. Carlisle Jan. 21-1790)
married (1st) -------
" (2nd) Aug. 30-1835, Mrs Lucy Baldwin, b. April 6-1814,
d. Sept. 18-1891 aged 77 yrs 5 mos. 12 days.

children by the second marriage:

Benjamin Everett,	b. May 30-1836,	d. March 5-1838.
Francis Oliver,	b. Dec. 5-1837,	d. Oct. 2-1842.
Edward,	b. Jan. 27-1839,	d. Aug. 5-1844, aged 5/6/8.
William Henry,	b. Dec. 31-1840	d. Sept. 1920, aged 79/8/9.
Mary Jane	b. March 4-1843,	d. Nov. 1916
Lucy Ann	b. Nov. 1-1846,	d. March 24-1893.

she (unmarried, but) left son Charles Spaulding, b. Mar. 4-1878.

Samuel,	b. May 3-1848,	d. Aug. 30-1849 aged 1/3/0
Sarah Elizabeth	b. Nov. 23-1850	
Amos Kidder	b. July 14-1853,	d. Dec. 26-1924 aged 71.

William Spaulding.

William Spaulding, b. Sept. 30-1759, Chelmsford; d. Sept. 27-1825 aged 66.
son of Lt. Jonathan and Mary (Fletcher) Spaulding;
married at Concord, April 6-1780, Lucy Spaulding who died
April 15-1821 aged 64. Both are buried in Carlisle.

children:

Ann,	b. Chelmsford, March 2-1780
Lucy	b. July 14-1781, d. May 24-1788 aged 6/10/10
Lois	b. Oct. 3-1783, m. Asa Munroe, April 19-1807.
William	b. Jan. 4-1788, d. April 21-1793 aged 5/3/7.
Lucy,	b. Carlisle, Dec. 3-1792.
William	b. Feb. 20-1797, d. March 17-1797 aged 25 days.
Abel	b. Aug 5-1802, d. Aug 7-1802 aged 2 days.

Jonas Spaulding.

Jonas Spaulding, married Carlisle, Oct. 8-1789, Molly Wheeler,
both of Carlisle.

children:

Polly,	b. July 21-1790	
Judith,	b. April 25-1792,	d. Aug. 9-1795
Jonas,	b. Feb. 28-1795,	d. Nov. 1-1800
Judith,	b. Nov. 6-1796,	d. Oct. 31-1800
Sarah,	b. June 15-1799.	

GILCREAST-HIBBERT HOUSE
Brook Street

Historical Sketch

James S. Anthony

Polly Andrews

Robert Gilcreast

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Residence of Mr & Mrs George Hibbert.
Built in 1827 by Robert Gilcreast.

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Hibbert house.
Built in 1827 by Robert Gilchrist.

Polly (Mary) Andrews, daughter of Edmond Andrews, was born Dec 1 – 1781, near where Peter Christianson now lives, the cellar hole still visable and the lilac bush bearing its perennial blooms, —— and died in the Hibbert house, Oct. 9, 1872, aged ninety years. In her girlhood she worked at the tavern in the Long Block in Carlisle center. On April 7, 1808 she married Lewis Fisher of Salem, Mass., and they had one daughter Mary. He was a carpenter by trade and lived in that part of Salem now called Lynn. He built and equipped a ship which he put into foreign trade. As he was unable to finance the entire venture, he borrowed money, expecting to repay it with the proceeds of the first voyage. The vessel was gone a very long time and the money lenders decided it was a ruse to cheat them. They thought it would never return, so they harassed Mr. Fisher until he became desperate and hung himself. Soon after, the ship came into port with gold enough to pay all indebtedness, but Mr. Fisher was dead.

Apparently Mrs Fisher and little Mary returned to Carlisle and on Dec. 8 – 1814 married (2nd) Isaac Blaisdell, son of William and Lydia Blaisdell of Westford (she was b. Jan 4 – 1785), as his second wife. They built and lived in the house now owned and occupied by Richard B. Bates, on Bedford Street. They were the parents of three sons:– Isaac Andrews, b. May 5 – 1815; Hiram Wilkins, b. Oct 1 – 1817; and William, b. Feb 12 – 1820. The father died in 1819 and the widow unable to provide for the three boys, bound them out to Isaiah Green, who then lived in the house now owned by Martin Eliasen, until such time as they could care for themselves.

Mrs Blaisdell married a third time, June 10 – 1827, taking as her husband Robert Gilchrist (Gillgrist, old spelling) a Scotchman who had previously been married and lived in the north of Ireland. Because of religious persecution, the family had found it necessary to turn to Roman Catholicism or leave the country. They decided to come to America where there was religious freedom. During the long voyage

the wife, baby and fourteen year old boy had died, the two children being buried at sea, but the mother was brought to Boston for burial. We do not know what became of the other two children, Mary and Ellen.

Robert Gilchrist somehow wandered into Carlisle and before his marriage to Mrs Blaisdell (1827) built a two room house, now the home of Mr & Mrs George W. Hibbert, not far from the Billerica line, off Brook Street, in the eastern part of Carlisle. The first barn stood between the house and that beautiful grove of trees which we call the Anthony pines. The present barn, slightly west of the house, was built by Mr Hibbert. The tall pine standing near, split by lightening, is exceedingly old. In the early days a road passed it and went out across the fields, long since discontinued and obliterated.

Robert Gilchrist and his wife Polly Andrews, had one daughter, Hannah Fisher Gilchrist, who married Elbridge Proctor, a native of Carlisle, June 14-1844 and lived in a house on Brook Street not far from the Schoolcraft house. This was burned to the ground in 1852 but the cellar depression can easily be found. The family of Mr. & Mrs. Elbridge Proctor including the four year old daughter Joanna Eudora, went to live with the Gilchrists (parents of Mrs Proctor) in their little house, necessitating an immediate enlargement for their convenience. Little Joanna, named for Mrs Joanna Parker Gleason, donor of the Carlisle library, later became Mrs George E. French, the mother of Miss Alice French, Mrs Albert Davis (Edith French), Mrs Herbert A. Lee (Winifred French) and Mr Edmund L. French, all of Carlisle.

Originally this house was of small farm house type with central front door, over which the ancient grape vine, planted a century ago, still twines. The tiny square entry had a room on either side. Back of this entry and chimney was a small opening which served as a pantry. Later there were two chimneys and still later only one in that area. Nothing remains of the fireplace and oven.

When the Proctors went to live there a room was added to the east end, the roof line changed and rooms built on the north side. Mrs Hibbert made many more improvements adding still another extension to the east where

it is possible to enjoy a southern outlook upon the pine grove. The interior is very attractive but has no noteworthy colonial construction.

Mr. Gilchrist became involved in financial difficulties and could not keep his home, so it was taken over by William Blaisdell, his wife's son, who allowed them to remain there as long as they lived.

Robert Gilchrist died Feb. 23-1859, aged 96 years and his wife survived him thirteen years, her death occurring Oct. 9-1872 and both are buried in the old part of Green Cemetery. At the base of a tree standing near their graves, is a stone post, placed there by William Blaisdell as a support for a seat upon which he sat many hours contemplating his mother's grave.

Susan L. Hibbert (Mrs George W. Hibbert) acquired this property in 1883 and has therefore been a resident there for nearly fifty years.

Adjoining the Hibbert property Mr & Mrs James Anthony erected a house and lived upon a small farm. Mrs Anthony a daughter of Mrs Hibbert, wished to be near her mother. This couple, married in 1897, celebrated their silver wedding in February, 1922. Mr Anthony came from Nova Scotia in early manhood and remained in Carlisle till his death, Jan 20-1931, during which time he held many town offices. Mrs Anthony died in Carlisle Sept. 18-1929.

Mr Hibbert was for many years a driver of one of the school barges, besides carrying on a successful farm. Mrs Hibbert's flower garden, cared for by her daughter Mrs Anthony and herself, has been the envy of all their friends; the choice blooms have, for years, adorned the pulpit and auditorium of the First Parish Church.

George W. Hibbert and Susan Lydia Hammond were married Dec. 22-1908 at Ludlow, Vermont.

"Mrs Susan Hibbert, a resident of Carlisle for fifty years, died at her home on Brook St. on Tuesday, Jan. 19-1937. She is survived by her husband and three daughters, Mrs. W. B. Hewitt, Mrs Arthur Skelton and Mrs Frank A. Robbins."

James S. Anthony.

James S. Anthony, died Lowell, Mass. Jan. 20 - 1931 aged 65
Florence H. Anthony, his wife, d. Carlisle, Sept. 18 - 1929 aged
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In the winter of 1895-6, Mr. James S. Anthony trapped 25 foxes, 4 raccoons, 6 mink, 19 muskrats and 43 skunks. He would have increased this number fully a quarter except for the fact that neighbors hunted with dogs and also removed foxes from the traps.

James Spurgeon Anthony was a native of Nova Scotia and came to Carlisle in early manhood. He married Feb. 1897 Florence Hammond who died in 1929.

Mr. James Anthony was for three years, master of the Carlisle Grange, instituted March 14 - 1906. Made Master, Middlesex North Pomona Grange - 1911.

Polly Andrews-

Polly (Mary) Andrews, b. Carlisle, Dec. 1-1781, d. Oct. 9-1872.
m. (1st) April 7-1808, Lewis Fisher of Salem, Mass.
They had one child, Mary Fisher.
m. (2nd) Dec. 8-1814, Isaac Blaisdell, Sr.
They had three sons:
Isaac Andrews, b. May 5-1815
Hiram Wilkins, b. Oct. 1-1817
William, b. Feb. 12-1820.
m. (3rd) June 10-1827, Robert Gilchrist (his second marriage)
They had one daughter,
Hannah Fisher, b. Aug-19-1827.

Descendants from the first marriage living in Carlisle at the present time, are Eugene R. Seabo and his sister Alfreda (Seabo) Otterson, also their mother, Mrs. Ella Seabo.

Mary Fisher, daughter of Lewis and Polly (Andrews) Fisher, m. (1st) William Hood, (2nd) Joseph Duren. They had three children: Berintha, Gilman and William Henry Harrison Hood.

William H. H. Hood m. Lois Augusta Green Buttrick, dau. of Nathan and Martha (Butterfield) Buttrick. Their daughter, Ella Hood, married Eugene Seabo and had son Eugene Roswell Seabo and daughter Alfreda who m. George Otterson of Carlisle, June 1921.

There are numerous descendants from the Blaisdell marriage, those living in Carlisle now being Arthur and Frank Blaisdell and Mrs Christopher Crossland.

From the third marriage, there are several descendants in Carlisle:

Hannah Fisher Gilchrist m. Elbridge Proctor of Carlisle. Their daughter, Joanna Proctor m. George E. French, and they had Florence Winifred who m. Herbert A. Lee; Edith who m. Albert Davis; Edmund who m. Mary MacDonald; and Alice, unm. Of these, Mrs Lee and Edmund French are living in Carlisle.

Robert Gilchrist.
spelled also Gillgrist, Gilgrist, Gilbekrist, Gillchrist.

Robert Gilchrist m. (1st) in Scotland or Ireland. The name of his wife is unknown. She died at sea.
m. (2nd) Mrs. Hannah Dutton, May 26 - 1812 (Carlisle record)
She d. Aug. 18 - 1826 aged 53 (Duren record)
Mrs Hannah Dutton was Hannah Whitaker who m. (1st) - - - - - - - - Dutton of Billerica. (from letter by Alice French.)
m. (3rd) Mrs. Mary (Andrews) Blaisdell, June 12 - 1827 (Carlisle record). She d. Oct. 9 - 1872 aged 91.

Robert Gilchrist died in Carlisle, Feb. 23 - 1859, aged 96 years, and is buried in Green Cemetery.

The Carlisle Church Book 1853 - 1879 records the funeral of Mr. Robert Gilchrist, Feb. 25 - 1859 and says: "a native of Ireland was buried, aged 96 years. His widow has hope in his death."

WILKINS-HILL HOUSE
East Street

Historical Sketch
A Colonial Art (news clipping)
Wilkins Genealogy
    Timothy (5) Wilkins Family
    Zadock (6) Wilkins Family
Brown Lineal Records by Potter
    Samuel Brown Family
Timothy Meek Family
Samuel Handley Family
George Gilbert Wilkins Family
William Frost Hodgman Line

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The Wilkins-Hill house.

now the residence of Miss Caroline Hill.

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photographed 1930.

Residence of Miss Caroline Hill
East Street
Probably built by the first
Timothy Wilkins who settled in Carlisle.

In order that the following facts may be clear in the reader's mind, I would like to state there have been three Timothy Wilkinses live in Carlisle:— father, son and grandson, the father being the settler from Middleton, Mass., who bought 112 acres of the Blood Farms and settled upon them with his family. He was of the fourth generation from Bray Wilkins of Salem, Mass., emigrant from Wales.

To distinguish the three Carlisle Timothys more easily we often speak of each with his wife, viz:
Timothy Wilkins, with wife Anna Smith.
Timothy Wilkins (second) with wife Mary Chamberlain,
Timothy Wilkins (third) with wife Lucy Green.

While studying the various Wilkins houses, I have come to the personal conclusion that the house in which Miss Caroline Hill lives, on East Street, is the original Timothy Wilkins house. I base this opinion on the statements contained in two registered deeds, in a copy of a bill of sale (or perhaps it is an unregistered deed) and the statement of Mrs Louisa (Wilkins) Wilkins, that she lived with her parents, Zadock and Rhoda (Chandler) Wilkins in this house. Together they seem to tell a continuous story.

In 1760 Timothy Wilkins, whose wife Anna had recently died, made a deed, signed in 1768 and recorded in Cambridge in 1791, conveying to his sons Timothy and Isaac, two houses and a barn, but reserved part of the house in which he lived, for his own use for the remainder of his life. We know that the one Isaac had, stood on what is now the Duren-Ouellette property, and the location of the other (with half reserved) we have been uncertain about.

When this senior Timothy gave the land for the church, the gift lot was "southwest of my dwelling" which clause

gives us our best clue at that date.

In 1779 when the crude map of Carlisle was made, showing the houses, now on file in the Massachusetts Archives, a Timothy Wilkins was apparently located on or near this spot.

Timothy, Jr. doubtless took possession, with his wife Mary, of the half of the house not reserved, and when his father died in 1791 became owner of the whole of it. The deed, it will be noted, was not recorded during the father's lifetime.

There is extant an old document which may be a copy of an unregistered deed, dated April 28-1809, or perhaps a copy of a bill of sale, whereby Timothy and Lucy (Green) Wilkins, the third Timothy in line, conveyed to his brother Zadock Wilkins, Trader of Marblehead, thirteen separate pieces of land, one being "one tract of land with the buildings thereon containing about seventeen acres," and after enumerating several other pieces of land, he says "meaning hereby to convey the whole of the premises that were conveyed to me by deed from Timothy Wilkins, July 5-1804 and recorded Nfk Registry, Book 169, p. 47." This statement tells us the second Timothy, who had the house of the first Timothy, deeded it to his son, the third Timothy in 1804, who now conveys it to his brother Zadock. All this time its location is still in doubt, but its ownership seems clear.

Zadock Wilkins had a daughter Louisa who at the age of 46 years, married her cousin James Warren Wilkins, and in later life made the statement to Mr. G. R. Duren, town clerk and neighbor interested in genealogy, that her father, Zadock Wilkins lived in the house now occupied by Miss Caroline Hill and that she herself lived there too.

This seems to verify all the other suppositions and definitely locate Zadock's home and the ownership of three generations of Timothy Wilkinses before him. It seems very doubtful if the third Timothy lived there in adult life, even if he did own it for five years, as it is positively known his home was where the stores are now located at the corner of Lowell Street and Bedford Road.

When Miss Hill acquired this old house, she remodeled and made additions, which disclosed a very old type of fire place in the kitchen, and details of construction which point to a very early date. The long back roof is an exterior

indication of greater age than other houses in the Centre.
Since the research of Mrs Ruth C. Wilkins has definitely determined that the James H. Wilkins house was built by James, son of Timothy and Mary (Chamberlain) Wilkins in 1789, it becomes a greater certainty that we have at last more accurately determined the real "Timothy Wilkins house."
For years the Wilkins-MacDougall house has been called the Timothy Wilkins house, which now seems to have never been his home. During the search for real Estate records when the MacDougall property was going through the land court, nothing was found in the old deeds to definitely place the first Timothy Wilkins on that spot, although he probably owned the land. Indeed he must have owned a large part of what is now Carlisle Centre, when he first bought his farm. The deeds about 1820 seem to indicate that John Wilkins, son of the third Timothy, was the one who began that house, although even that could not be a certainty. However, after reading many deeds relating to that property, I feel convinced the first Timothy did not live on that location.
In the Town Books we find Timothy Wilkins spoken of as an inn keeper, providing liquor for town affairs, providing fuel and room for a school, being rendue master and otherwise taking prominent parts in town business. As the inns were usually in large home buildings, it would seem to suggest a big house such as this old house was and is.
Others may differ with my conclusions, and if so, it would be a public historical service if the facts were presented on which to base a better opinion.

We know, from the quoted deeds, that Timothy and Lucy (Green) Wilkins had this property from 1805 to 1809 when it apparently went to Zadock, then a young man twenty-five years of age and unmarried. We may suppose from the designation in the deed, "trader of Marblehead" that he may have gone into the real estate business and located there where his brother William Wilkins was a doctor. Dr. Wilkins died in 1811 and Zadock seems to have returned to Carlisle for in that year he was paid

by the town $3.50 "for a journey to Boston with horse & chaise to purchase sundry articles for the trimming of the pulpit window, as may appear by the bill." These sundry articles cost $66.96. (See Bull's History of Carlisle, p. 169)

In Jan. 1813 Zadock was here where he witnessed a deed made by James Wilkins giving land to the town for a village pound, and on July 4 - 1813 he married Rhoda Chandler of New Boston, N.H., the ceremony being performed in Dunstable. They made their home in Carlisle for some years, then disappeared and the writer has been unable to trace them further. It is not known where Zadock died, but Rhoda died here in 1874 at the age of 87 and is buried in Lowell. Some of their children were born here, others in Acton, Mass. and New Boston, N.H. Acton records simply he was there when a son, one year old, died on Sept. 24 - 1816 and a daughter born there April 9 - 1821, the latter record being found on the books of the First Congregational Church of that town. The names of the children are not given in either case, although the latter was probably Louisa, for at the time of her marriage to James Warren Wilkins (1867) she stated she was born in Acton.

Zadock's marriage is variously given as occurring in Carlisle, Hopkinton, N.H. and Dunstable (first records) recorded in Nashua, N.H. But wherever they were married, they certainly lived for a time in this Carlisle house and four of their six children were born here.

Samuel Brown, a tavern keeper in the Wheat Tavern, bought this house in 1820 just prior to the birth of his daughter Elizabeth (Feb. 6 - 1820). The busy tavern was not considered a suitable place in which to care for an infant, and this house was not too far away for the tavern keeper to have a home.

Almira Brown, daughter of Samuel and Betsey (Tuttle) Brown, married Samuel Handley in 1820 and also lived in this house, probably with her parents. The Dunn record book has this entry: "May 12 - 1827, Samuel Handley drowned in a pork barrel." Thus in some mysterious accident seven years after his marriage, he came to his tragic death leaving three children. His widow married second, Horace Tuttle and they had five children.

Others who have lived in this house were Job Nickles

followed by his son Jefferson Nickles.

Job Nickles, with a large family of children, had a hard time to get sufficient food for them all, so they customarily cooked a big pan of "hasty puddin' an' milk", placed it on the floor, gave each child a spoon and let them take a chance of getting some of it as they all gathered around.

Timothy Meek was another resident here, also William Frost Hodgman, and in 1875, Edward S. Hutchins, his son-in-law.

George Gilbert Wilkins, commonly called "Gib" Wilkins, lived here for many years, and died here. He was a man greatly interested in town business and took an active part in the conservation of its forests and trees. He was chief of the fire department and a member of the cemetery committee. His devotion to the Unitarian Church was life-long. For years he was a member of the Parish Committee and was sexton of the Church for a long term. He died Sept. 23-1922, and in November of that year the place was sold to Mr. Clarence M. Ryder of Boston.

Mr & Mrs Ryder made this house their summer home after making alterations and repairs, and spent their winters in Florida. They painted the old house a Colonial buff with cart-blue blinds, and erected the summer house in the field near the old well. The house faces south and the front door is away from the street. The west door is commonly used as the most convenient entrance, so a small porch has been added as a protection from the weather.

The house has not been materially changed in appearance since it was first built, until the additions were made by Miss Hill, which do not show very much from the front.

Mrs Ryder said at the time they owned it: "When the living room was restored, the workmen said the fire place was of the oldest type, having brick shelves to take the place of back logs. The bell chimney rests on a very large foundation of masonry, and in the kitchen, while the large fire-place has been bricked up for many years, the long high mantel, brick oven and brick hearth, extending half across the kitchen, remain. There are original wide floor boards and windows, wainscoting of lengthwise wide boards, boxed and hand hewn

beams, low ceilings, panelling, H and L hinges and handmade latches. The hall is narrow and has a small winding stairway. Old beams in unfinished attic show wooden hand-made pegs used in construction, and hand-made latths."

The bell chimney spoken of by Mrs Ryder is described as being "twelve feet square at the base and starts to narrow in bell-shape; the part above the roof shapes the handle, hence the name."

Miss Caroline Hill of Winchester, sister of Mr. Nathaniel G. Hill of Carlisle, purchased this property in 1931 and has since made it her home. Extensive repairs and restorations were made throughout the interior of the house, and a large ell added on the back, extending along East Street.

The barn, across the road, was struck by lightning, Sept. 2-1932, doing freakish things with the shingles and ridge-pole, but fortunately setting no fires.

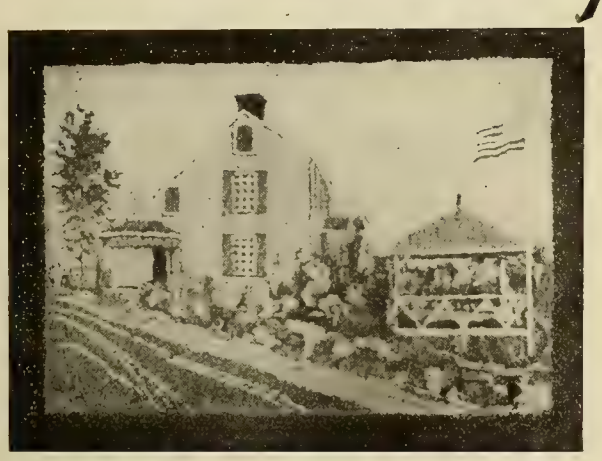
The fine old house seems to have weathered the storms for nearly two centuries. Timothy Wilkins came to Carlisle, then a part of Concord, in 1739; the deed of that date mentions no buildings, but it is reasonable to suppose he built a home soon afterward. He had a dwelling when he deeded land for the church in 1758, and no doubt he had been living in it some years.

"Leisure" – Oct. 1934.

A Colonial Art Brought Her Happiness

by

Ellen Douglas



How Mrs. Brown gloried in its making!

"GRANDMA, are you going to work on Aunt Annie's stone wall or her summer-house today?" four-year-old Jimmy would ask as Mrs. Brown would hurry out of her kitchen at just about ten o'clock every morning.

"The stone wall, I guess, dear," Grandma might answer. "Do you want to come up with me and help me look for some nice, long pieces of gray flannel?"

And Grandma, followed by Jimmy, would get out her rug frame and piece-bag and start to work—Grandma earnestly bending over her hooking, and Jimmy sorting the gray pieces from the rest of the varied heap.

What a rug it is! And what a history is worked into it!

Just after Mrs. Brown had decided that she must give up her city house, and was establishing herself and family in their country home as a year-round residence her son lost his position and home, (things seem to happen that way), and arrived with his wife and four children to stay with his family until his affairs should improve. Finally, to make matters still more complicated, a small legacy which had always been looked upon as an infallible reserve-fund for the immediate family, had to be drawn upon weekly to pay for room, board, and a nurse for a sick, old cousin in a distant city.

Faced by this combination of circumstances, Mrs. Brown was too much upset to take an active interest in anything. There were, of course, all sorts of things to be done about the house, but there was her daughter-in-law, eager to be useful and begging to be allowed to take over the housekeeping. Books could not hold her attention, and no diversion could make her forget her own situation for long. With hopeless regularity she drove several times a week to call at the nursing home where

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Timothy Wilkins family.

Old Timothy Wilkins bought his farm in Carlisle, then in Concord, from Jonathan Wheeler, April 3 - 1739 and it comprised 112 acres of the Blood's Farms. He had come up from Middleton, Mass. with his family, to settle. The deed from Jonathan Wheeler is recorded in Cambridge, Book 40, p. 706. The tract of land covered what is now a good part of the center of Carlisle. Just where his house was located is not known, but was probably either where Miss Carolyn Hill lives, or where James H. Wilkins lives, as old deeds show he owned these properties (land) and old maps verify it. The repitition of the name Timothy Wilkins in old deeds and on the crude maps makes it impossible to say which generation located on a given spot. Perhaps some one will find conclusive evidence, eventually, among the ancient documents.

The first Timothy Wilkins, a descendant of Bray Wilkins the Emigrant, was evidently an influential citizen. Some of his descendants, after 200 years, are still residents of Carlisle.

In 1758, nineteen years after he settled here, he gave the land on which to build a church and thus formed the nucleus for the proposed District of Carlisle. This land, because of the lack of definite boundaries, and because of the later separation of church and town affairs, has been a source of periodic argument and controversy ever since. The plot, originally given to his neighbors as forerunner of a district or town, is now what is called the Common, on which the church was later built.

In 1760 Timothy Wilkins deeded 100 acres of his farm to his sons Timothy (wife, Mary Chamberlain) and Isaac Wilkins, with two houses and a barn (Book 106, p. 241) and Isaac located on what is known as the Reuben Duran place, in a house now gone, but whose cellar hole remains.

The second Timothy to live in Carlisle married Mary Chamberlain of Billerica and here they raised a family of thirteen children, seven boys and six girls. Of the boys only two, Timothy and James, remained in Carlisle in their mature life. Up to within a few years, it has been an accepted tradition that Timothy and Mary built and lived in the house where Mr. Allister F. MacDougall later

lived, and it has gone by the old name of "Timothy Wilkins house." Whether correct or not, the name still clings and we will often hear it referred to as such.

The third Timothy in line married Lucy Green in 1788 and their home was where the store is now located, corner of Bedford and Lowell streets. He died there many years later, and the house was eventually consumed by fire.

Timothy Wilkins, Jr. and Timothy Wilkins, 3rd. sold to the town the land to be used as a burying ground, what is now known as the Central Burying Ground. No headstone commemorates the senior Timothy or his wife Anna Smith, but it is reasonable to suppose both may be buried here. It is possible they passed away in Hillsboro, N. H. but no record has been found to that effect. Field stone markers in the south west corner of this old cemetery may be where they are laid.

Timothy Wilkins, Jr. married Lucy Green and their children were John, Lucy, Mary and William. John seems to have been a poor financial manager, and when his father died, he and William and Lucy (Mary having died) began a series of land and property transactions, both recorded and unrecorded, which covered several years. John had been awarded the land with certain stipulations which he was unable to meet. Lucy sold her rights to William who also took over John's share. But John somehow managed to hold on to part of it, and in 1820, according to an old deed, assembled lumber, bricks, shingles &c, and put up the frame of a house near or where the MacDougall house now stands, but before it was finished, he seems to have lost it to creditors. He died not long afterward. The George Wilkins family in Carlisle, descends from William.

The James H. Wilkins family descends from Timothy, son of the first Timothy to come to Carlisle.

The Ernest Wilkins family descends from Abijah Wilkins whose antecedents have not been discovered by me.

The Benson P. Wilkins family descends from Bray Wilkins, but not through any Carlisle lines.

The records of each of these families may be found with the houses in which they have lived.

Timothy Wilkins, Vendue Master -

" In the early history of the town the custom prevailed of annually vending the poor; the vendue for a number of years took place at the house of Mr. Timothy Wilkins, he often being vendue master, and annually, until about the year 1830, the town paid bills for liquor used on these vendue occasions - The following order, copied from the records, is a sample of others found there, and gives a glimpse of the times as they were:-

Carlisle, Feb. 3-1806.

To Mr. Nathan Green, Treasurer: Please pay out of the town's money to Mr. Samuel Brown the sum of one dollar, it being for his finding six mugs of toddy last April when the poor was vendued.

By order of the Selectmen,

Jonathan Heald, Town Clerk.

(From Lewis' History of Middlesex County - "Carlisle")

The Timothy Wilkins spinet.

Courtesy of the Concord Antiquarian Society

Fig. 4. Spinet made by Thomas Hitchcock, who worked in London between the years 1664 and 1703

A Rare Early Spinet of Colonial Tradition

SEVERAL miles out on the main road between Concord and Lowell, Massachusetts, lies the little village of Carlisle, a town so lovely and as yet so untouched by 'restorers' that I hesitate to name it lest something happen to turn it overnight into a suburb. No railroad connects it with the busier life of towns about it. No factory belches smoke to soil the white paint of its comfortable houses. Only a dozen buildings about a village green, a pointed spire, and a few low slant-roofed farmhouses with their attendant sheds and stables — a typical New England farming village in a setting such as only New England can offer in America, and so unspoiled as to be almost unbelievable in a day of boosters and antiquers.

From this town came the charming little spinet photographed in Figure 4, now the property of the Antiquarian Society of Concord. It is said to have belonged to the ~~Reverend~~ Timothy Wilkins who, in 1758, gave the land for the First Church of Carlisle. How long he had been living in Massachusetts at this time I have been unable to ascertain, or whether there had been a previous generation there before him. But it seems unlikely that he was the first owner of the spinet.

As will be seen by the inscription across the front, it was made by Thomas Hitchcock of London, and is numbered 1455. Grove's *Dictionary of Music* remarks that 'spinets by the Hitchcocks have been preserved here and there,' and that 'one harpsichord by John Hitchcock (son of Thomas) is known.' Certainly one of the former of Colonial tradition in America is an exceedingly rare occurrence.

The Hitchcocks were favorite spinet makers in England during the reigns of Charles I and II. The oldest spinet exhibited at the Historic Loan Collection at Bologna in 1888 was legibly inscribed on the first key and on the jacks, 'Thomas Hitchcock his make in 1664.' Another instrument with an autographic inscription by this maker, dated 1703, is known. Thus we are able to gain a general idea of the working time of Thomas. John is believed to have been his son, and to have worked contemporaneously with him for some time.

Also contemporary with them was Charles Haward, patronized by Pepys, as witnessed in the extract from his diary quoted at the head of this department. Haward, although evidently in favor with Pepys, was far less progressive than the Hitchcocks, who dispensed with the sound hole and increased the compass of the spinet beyond anything attempted at the time on the Continent. To quote again from Grove: 'The compass of these instruments, five octaves, from G to g, is so startling as to be incredible, were it not for the facts that several instruments are extant with this compass (the Wilkins instrument among them), that the keyboard did not admit of alteration, and that the Sainsbury Correspondence mentions that a greater compass was obtained in England in the time of Charles I than was expected or required on the Continent.'

The form of the spinet thus described was the graceful wing form popular in England for a hundred and fifty years after the reign of Charles, known in Italy as the Spinetta Traversa, and in England as the Stuart, Jacobean, or Queen Anne spinet or the Couched Harp. An instrument in this form is pictured in Millais' 'Minuet,' 1866. This and every other illustration which I have seen of them shows a tablelike support of either three or four legs with typical Stuart turnings. It will be remembered that this form of support persisted in many cases both in England and in America well into the reign of Anne. The Reifsnyder collection contained a slant-top desk in two parts with legs very (*Continued on page 106*) similar to those in an illustration I have seen of a Haward spinet in the possession of the Reverend L. K. Hilton of Shaftsbury, England. In his diary Pepys refers further to the purchase of 'Triangles' for his 'espinette,' which must have been a three-legged stand of this type.

The legs of the Wilkins spinet are of course not original. They are of crudely finished pine in strong contrast to the beauty of the inlaid walnut case, and are decorated with brass rosettes of definitely Directoire flavor. Whether these may be taken as an indication of the date of the instrument's arrival in this country is impossible to say. But it is of course not at all unlikely that with limited shipping space a piece of such dimensions might have been sent from England without legs, with the intention of having these made at the place of its destination.

The brasses on the case proper are altogether lovely, being engraved in the style most familiar to us through the brasses on certain beautiful highboys of the William and Mary period. A feature frequently seen in keyed instruments of this period is the inlaid strip of ivory in the black keys. The carved decorations on the fronts of the keys are also typical.

Deed. 1768. Timothy Wilkins to Timothy Wilkins, Junior
Rec'd Decr 7 – 1791

To all people to whome these presents Shall Come Greeting.
know ye that I Timothy Wilkins of Concord in the County of middlesex and province of the massachusetts Bay in New England yeoman for and in Consideration of the Sum of three hundred pounds Lawful money to me in hand before the ensealing hearof well and truly payd by Timothy Wilkins Juner and Isaac Wilkins both of Concord in the County and provence aforesaid the Receipt whereof I do hearby acknoledg and my Self therewith fully satisfied and contented and thereof and of ererey part and parcel thereof do exonerate acquit and dischard them them the said Timothy Wilkins Juner and Isaac Wilkins their heirs executors and administers for ever by these presents have given granted bargained sold ..... Conveyed and Confirmed and by these do freely fully and absolutely give grant bargain sell aline convey and Confirm unto them the said Timothy Wilkins Juner and Isaac Wilkins their Heirs and Assigns forever A Certain track of land mowing and plowing and orcharding and pastering Containing Containing one hundred acers be it more or less with two houses and a barn and the moveable estate on said Lands Lying in the North part of Concord Bounded as folowetb Beginning at a white ock tree marcked thence Runing westerly by John Green Juners Land to a Stake + Stones thence Runing norwesterdly by Leonard Spauldings Land to a black ock tree marcked Stil Runing norwesterdly by Leonard Spauldings Land to a Stake and Stones at Billireca line thence Runing northerdly by Billireca line to a white ocke tree marked Still Runing northerdly to a Rock and Stones upon it thence easterd by Billireca line to a Stake and Stones thence Running Southwesterdly by David Bloods land to a white ock tree marked thence Runing Southwerdly by David Bloods land to a Stake and Stones by John Greens land thence Runing westerdly by John Greens land to a Stake and Stones at the Corner of John greens land thence Runing Southerdly by John greens land to the Bounds first mentioned to have and to hold the Said granted and bargined premises with all the appurtenances priviledges and Commodities to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining to them the Said Timothy Wilkins Juner and Isaac Wilkins their Heirs and assigns for ever to them and their onto proper use Benefit and behoof forever and I the Said Timothy Wilkins for myself my Heirs executors and administrators to Covenant promas and grant to and with them the Said Timothy Wilkins Juner and Isaac

Wilkins their Heirs and afigns that befour the ensealing hearof I am the true ------ and Lawful owner of the abore bargained premises and am lawfully seized and profefed of the Same in my own proper Right as a good parfect and abfolute estate of inheritance in fee Simple and have in my own Self good right full pow and lawful authority to grant bargain Sell Conray and Confirm said bargained premifes in manner as aforesaid and that the said Timothy Wilkins Juner and Isaac Wilkins their Heirs and afigns Shall and may from time to time and at all times for ever hear after by forse and varty of these presents lawfully peaceably and quietly have hold use occupy poffes and enjoy the Said premifes and bargained premifes with appurtenances free and clear and freely and Clearly aquited exonerated and discharged of from all and all manner of ---------- or other gifts grants bargained sails leafes mortgages with entails joyntures Judgments Executions or incumbrances of name or nature so ever that might in any meafure or degree obftruct or make void this prefent Deed furthermore I the said Timothy Wilkins for my Self my Heirs Executors and administrators do Corenant and engage the abore Demiffed premifes to them the Said Timothy Wilkins Juner and Isaac Wilkins their Heirs and afigns againft the lawful Clamaes or Demands of any person or persons what so Ever for ever hear after for ever to warents Secuer and defend by these presents In witnefs where of we have hear unto Set our hands and Seals this ninth day of June one thousand seven hundred and Sixty and in the thirty frist year of his majeftes Raign king gorge the Second I Timothy Wilkins do Reserve the one half of my moving land and one half of my plow land and one half of my pafter land and one half of my orcharding and one half of my wood land and my Dwelling house and Barn During my natrel life Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presents of us

Joseph Taylor
Nathaniel Taylor inno

Timothy Wilkins ◇

Middlesex fs Chelmsford November 8th 1768
Then the within named Timothy Wilkins acknowledged the within written Instrument to be his free Act & Deed before me -
Oliver Fletcher, Just Pec-

Middlesex fs Cambridge December 7 - 1791 Received and entered in the Registry of Deeds Book 106 Page 24 &c
Attest Tom. Winthrop. Regr.

Timothy[5] Wilkins, Jr.
(Timothy[4], Isaac[3], Thomas[2] Bray Wilkins)

Timothy[5] Wilkins, b. Middleton, Mass. Sept. 14-1733, d. Carlisle Feb. 5-1820 aged 88, son of Timothy[4] and Anna (Smith) Wilkins. m. at Billerica, Mass., Dec. 11-1755, Mary Chamberlain of Billerica "before the Rev. John Chandler." She was b. Billerica, Oct. 16-1734, d. Carlisle, Jan. 28-1820 aged 83, dau. of Abraham and Mary (Shed) Chamberlain.

13 children:

1. Esther, b. June 29-1757.
   m. Capt. Calvin Stevens, 1773. Lived in Hillsborough, N.H.
2. Timothy, b. Sept. 2-1758, d. April 28-1812 aged 54.
   m. Lucy Green, Jan. 24-1788, dau. of Nathan & Lois (Conant) Green; b. June 2-1765, d. Aug. 18-1821.
3. Mary, b. (1760?) d. Concord, Sept. 14-1787, aged 30
   m. John Flagg of Concord Feb. 7-1782.
   Her gravestone says she was 27 years old.
4. Betsey, b.
   m. --------- Flagg.
5. (perhaps Edward who is listed as a Rev. War soldier).
6. William, b. April 1-1765, d. Marblehead, Mass. May 7-1811. He was a doctor.
   m. May 10-1789, Frances Cummings who d. Nov. 19. 1844 aged 74, dau. of Rev. Henry Cummings of Billerica.
7. James, b. (1767?) d. April 13-1825, aged 58
   m. April 9-1789, Hannah Brown, b. Concord, March 5-1769, dau. of Edward & Mary (Brown) Brown of Concord.
8. Isaac, b. (1769?) d. June 2-1820 aged 51. He was an M.D. in Brownville, Maine.
   m. April 23-1793, in Billerica, Sally Edwards, dau. of Robert & Mary (Clark) Edwards
9. Anna,
   m. Jan 6-1785, Jonas Heald of Acton, Mass. son of John[5] and Elizabeth (Barrett) Heald.
10. Hannah, b. (1773?) d. Antrim, N.H. Dec. 29-1859 æt. 86. and is buried there.
    m. (1st) Capt. Timothy Heald of Carlisle, Nov. 8-1792
    (2nd) Deacon Amos Parmenter, Esq. of Antrim, N.H. Oct. 15-1820 at Carlisle.

11. Sally, (Sarah)
m. Aaron Craggin, Feb. 16-1797.
12. John Chamberlain,
m. Susanna Leighton of Westford, Mass. int. May 20-1802.; married Westford, Oct. 31-1802.
13. Zadock, (Eusign) b. June 30-1784,
m. at Dunstable, Mass. July 4-1813, Rhoda Chandler of New Boston, N.H. She d. Carlisle, June 2-1874 aged 87 and is buried in Lowell, Mass.
Zadock was spoken of as the 13th and last (youngest) child.

This family record has been compiled from vital records in Concord, Carlisle and Billerica, also some family records and Duren records as told by Louisa Wilkins, daughter of Zadock, in her later life. Louisa could not remember the names of two, but from other sources, these have been given, except the 5th child who may have been Edward Wilkins, listed in Concord as a Revolutionary Soldier on Tolman's account of Minutemen.

Wilkins -

Timothy[6] Wilkins, b. Sept 2 - 1758 (Junior) d. April 28 - 1812
Lucy Green, b. June 2 - 1765; d. Aug. 18 - 1821
m. Jan. 24 - 1788 (Bible record, 1787)
ch:- John Wilkins, b. Dec. 2 - 1788; d. April 10 - 1825
Lucy Wilkins, b. Jan. 26 - 1790; d.
Mary Wilkins, b. Sept. 27 - 1791; d. Nov. 15 - 1815
William Wilkins, b. Dec. 20 - 1794; d. March 23 - 1857.

Lieut. John[7] Wilkins, b. Dec. 2 - 1788; d. April 10 - 1825.
Sarah Andrews, b. April 11 - 1788; d. May 23 - 1861 ae. 72 yrs
m. Jan 2 - 1810
ch:- John Bray Wilkins, b. April 21 - 1811, d. Aug 25 - 1871 unm.
Mary Wilkins, b. April 23 - 1816; d. July 6 - 1848 unm.
Timothy Wilkins 3rd, b. Jan. 25 - 1819; d. Jan. 31 - 1819
Eliza Wilkins, b. Jan. 20 - 1820. married -----
---------- and went to Vermont.

Zadock[6] Wilkins.

Ensign Zadock Wilkins, son of Timothy[5] and Mary (Chamberlain) Wilkins; b. Carlisle, June 30-1784, d. m. int. June 12-1813 (Carlisle V. R.) to marry Rhoda Chandler of New Boston, N. H.; b. Hopkinton, N. H. d. Carlisle, Jan. 2-1874 aged 87, and buried in Lowell, Mass.

Dunstable, Mass. records say she was married there with records in the Nashua, N. H. Court House, July 4-1813.

They had a large family of children; all the names and dates cannot be found; those known are as follows:

1. Sophia, b. New Boston, N. H. Oct. 31-1813, d. a widow, in Washington or Oregon.
   m. (1st) ---- Laugher, and had 6 children.
   (2nd) int. April 17-1867 when she was 53 years old, Certemas Hill of Carlisle.
2. Samuel Dexter, b. Carlisle and died in infancy.
3. Louisa Elizabeth, b. Carlisle (or Acton?) April 9-1821, d. Cornish, Maine, Jan. 21-1901 and buried there.
   m. Dec. 24-1867, James Warren Wilkins, her cousin, this being her first and his second marriage.
   Acton records say "_____ Wilkins, dau. Zadock, was born April 9-1821, Church record, 1st. Congregational Church" which is doubtless Louisa, altho when she married James Warren Wilkins she stated she was born in Carlisle.
4. Charles, b. Carlisle, Sept. 1-1823.
   m. Mary Ann Buncher of Lowell, b. England and came to America when 12 years old.
5. William, b. June? 1825
   d. when 2½ years old, Nov. 5-1827.
6. Heber Chandler, b. Nov. 23-1827, Carlisle; d. Bangor, Me. Dec. 1908
   m. Isabel Sanborn of Baldwin, Maine at Saco, Me. dau. of Abner & Martha (Thorne) Sanborn; b. Baldwin, Me. Jan. 18-1832, d. there March 28-1908. Bur. Cornish, Me.

Acton records the death of a "son of Zadock Wilkins, Sept 24-1816, aged 1 year, in Acton", no name given. This may have been Samuel Dexter.

In 1809 Zadock is called "trader" in Marblehead. He was in Carlisle Jan 1813 when he witnessed a deed, but seems to have lived in Acton in 1816 and 1821, perhaps continuously between the two dates. In the Parish valuations and tax list in Carlisle, for 1833

and 1834, Zadock was listed as not owning real estate and counted only as one poll. No valuation was made again until 1840 when his name does not appear.

Wilkins family in Hillsboro, N.H.
From History of Hillsboro, N.H. Vol. II, G. Waldo Brown.

Quite a number of families went from Concord, Mass., (later Carlisle territory) and settled close together in Hillsboro in what was called "Concord End." Its significance is now lost but the name remains. Among these families were Oliver Wheeler Jr., John Hartwell, Simon Hartwell, Jr., Isaac Andrews, Lieut. Ammi Andrews, Jonathan Durant (from Billerica) and Andrew Wilkins.

"Andrew Wilkins of Carlisle, Mass., son of Timothy and Anna (Smith) Wilkins, b. June 2-1745 in Concord, Mass., came here (Hillsboro) previous to 1772, and settled the farm once owned by James W. Wilkins. He married (1st) Elizabeth Prescott of Acton, Mass, b. Aug 7-1747. After the death of his first wife, he m. (2nd) Elizabeth, daughter of David Green, May. 16-1786, born in Hillsboro, N.H. date unknown, who died at La Grange, Ohio in 1841. He died in 1811 in Weston, Vermont. He was in the Revolutionary War and his record is in the N.H. files of the State Secretary.

Children by 1st. marriage:-

1. Abel Prescott, b. Nov. 23-1776; m. Lucy Tenney of Weston, Vt., moved to Ohio; d. at Shandon in 1850.
2. Fanny, b. Sept. 17-1778; d. unmarried.
3. Betsey, b. May 16(?) 1780; m. July 1802 Moses Colby of Hennniker, N.H.; d. Nov. 4-1859 at Bradford, N.H.
4. Andrew, b. April 10-1782; m. Elizabeth Verdor, Albany, N.Y. d. 1869 Guilderland, N.Y.
5. Rebecca, b. Jan. 11-1784; m. Ezekiel Nichols, Carlisle, Mass., where she d. April 28-1864. (Carlisle records, Ezekiel Nicholes)

Children by 2nd. marriage:-

6. Silas, b. March 4-1787, m. Hannah Tenney, Weston, Vt. and removed to La Grange, Ohio where he d. Feb. 12-1864.
7. Lucy, b. Jan. 31-1789; m. Uriah Wilkins; removed to Illinois; d. 1870.
8. {Ariel / Abial} twins, died in infancy.
9. Asenath, b. Jan. 9 (?) 1795; m. David[5] Monroe.
10. Clarissa, b. Jan. 31-1797, m. 1839 James Atkinson of LaGrange Ohio and after his death returned to Hillsboro and died

at Bradford, N.H. June 8 - 1886.

11. David, b. 1800. m. Elizabeth Verdor of Albany N.Y. d. 1870 in California.
12. Leonard, b. 1802; d. May 12 - 1879 Farwell, Michigan.
13. Eliza, b. 1807, m. Ezra Benedict of Manchester, Vt. where she died 1842. They had 2 children who live at that place.
14. Frederick, b. May 24 - 1810 at Weston, Vt. where his parents moved in 1808. died Michigan 1870.

The Hillsboro Wilkins family sprang from Asaph Wilkins, from Boxford, Mass., who m. Ruth Curtis and later removed to Vermont. Their children were: 1. Ansil 1789, 2. Jason 1791, 3. Ira 1794, 4. Curtice 1795, 5. Betsey, b. May 10 - 1797. m. William Hartwell; 6. Rodney 1799, 7. Roial 1801, 8. Harriet 1804, 9. John 1806.

Ira (3rd above) m. Dorcas L. Flint, Nov. 11 - 1797 - 12 children.

1. Ira 1817
2. Sophia A. 1819
3. Benjamin 1821
4. Ruth C. 1824
5. Mary Jane 1827
6. James M. 1829
7. Isaac F. 1831, lived whole life in Hillsboro
8. Frederick 1833
9. Mary E. 1835
10. Alonzo } twins 1837
11. Adaline }
12. Clara 1838
13. Sarah F. 1842

James M. (6th. above) m. (1st.) Lititia Bennett, Oct 4 - 1854
m. (2nd) Asenath M., daughter of David & Asenath (Wilkins) Monroe.

ch: (1st. marriage) Dora - 1858
(2nd ") Leonard M. 1868.
Louisa A. B. 1871.

From Potter's "Old Families of Concord, Mass."

Brown-

Thomas Brown was in Concord, Mass., about 1640 but from what part of England he came is not definitely known. His son Thomas was town clerk of Concord.

Several members of this Brown family came into Carlisle by marriage.

I

I Thomas Brown (-1688) m. Bridget —
II Thomas Brown (1651 - 1718) m. Ruth (Vinton) Jones
III Thomas Brown (1686 - 1717-18) m. Hannah Potter
IV Dea. Ephraim Brown (1710 - 1788) m. Abigail Wheeler
V Lieut. Samuel Brown (1752 - 1819) m. Elizabeth Brown
VI Samuel Brown (1777 - 1843) m. Betsey Tuttle.
He was tavern keeper in the Long Block and later lived in the Ryder-Hill house.

II

I Thomas Brown (-1688) m. Bridget
II Thomas Brown (1651 - 1718) m. Ruth (Vinton) Jones.
III Elizabeth Brown (1691-2 - 1717) m. Jonathan Hartwell.
There were Hartwells in Carlisle in the Miller house and also in the Skelton-Garfield house who descended from John, the father of Jonathan Hartwell.

III

I Thomas Brown (-1688) m. Bridget
II Thomas Brown (1651 - 1718) m. Ruth (Vinton) Jones
III Thomas Brown (1686 - 1717-18) m. Hannah Potter
IV Dea. Ephraim Brown (1710 - 1788) m. Abigail Wheeler
V Lieut. Samuel Brown (1752 - 1819) m. Elizabeth Brown
VI Joshua Brown (1787 - 1855) m. (1st) Sally Potter
VII Amasa Brown (1808 - 1883) m. Maria Wilkins
Maria Wilkins was daughter of James Wilkins of Carlisle who lived in the James Harry Wilkins house, perhaps - and certainly James Warren Wilkins, sister of Maria (Wilkins) Brown lived there.

Mrs Augusta Prescott said that Sally Potter, first wife of Joshua Brown[5] became insane and threw her infant son, James Potter Brown, Amasa's brother, into the well. She told of it however, immediately, so that he was rescued and brought up in the well bucket to the surface of the earth. He grew to manhood, married and had a family.

Samuel Brown family.

Samuel Brown, son of Lieut. Samuel and Elizabeth (Brown) Brown, b. Concord, March 7-1777; d. May 29,-1843, married June 5-1800, Betsey Tuttle, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Baker) Tuttle, b. 1783; d 1843.

children:-1. Almira, b. Nov. 22-1801; d. Sept. 14-1877
m. Feb. 3-1820 (1st) Samuel Handley 1792-May 12 1827
(2nd) Horace Tuttle -1859.

2. Horace Tuttle, b. Oct. 15-1803; d. Sept. 24-1805.

3. Caleb Sumner, b. July 6-1806; d. July 9-1877.
m. Isamah Page, 1828.

4. Samuel, b. June 27-1808.
m. (1st) Rebecca Russell
(2nd) Jane O. Gay

5. Aaron, b. Aug. 12-1810, d. July 24-1819

6. Abigail Wheeler, b. Aug. 12-1812; d. June 2-1822.

7. Eri Edward, b. Nov. 23-1814; d. Oct. 3-1817.

8. Hiram, b. Sept. 4-1817
m. Susan Nitham

9. Elizabeth, b. Carlisle, Feb. 6-1820
d. Feb. 24-1909
m. March 21-1844, Samuel Sewell 1819-1903 son of Rev. Samuel & Martha Sewell. of Burlington, Mass.

10. Olive Susan, b. Billerica, May 7-1822
d. Aug. 14-1913 Burlington, Mass.
m. Sept. 3-1843 Charles Butters, b. Dec 1-1819, d Oct 28-1879, son of Josefah and Sally Butters. (mrs John Bull's parents)

11. Ephraim, b. Billerica, Aug 23-1824
d. May 26-1827

Timothy and Betsey Meek- (Duren Records)
C.V.R.

The children of Timothy Meek and Betsey Munroe, who were married in Carlisle, July 21-1822.

1. Timothy Meek, b. Jan. 17-1823
2. John Kendal Meek, b. Aug. 31-1825
3. Sarah Elizabeth Meek, b. July 7-1831
4. Mary Abigail Meek, b. Nov. 7-1836

The wife of Timothy Meek died of Fever, Nov. 9-1841 aged 48 years. He married (2nd) at the age of 51 (carpenter) Susan Nickles, age 32, on June 5-1845 in Carlisle, daughter of Stephen[3] and Elenor (Parker) Nickles- Timothy was the son of Timothy and Mary ( ) Meek- He d. Bedford, May 26-1893. (Carlisle Vital Records-)

The Carlisle Church Book- 1853-1879, says: "Mrs Abbie Meek married Jones and went to Watertown Phillips Church - 1867."

Children of Timothy and Susan (Nickles) Meek:
Lora, b= Concord, Aug 18-1846-
Norman Leslie, b= Concord, Feb= 2-1849-

Susan (Nickles) Meek was b= Jan. 2-1814, d. Portland, Me- June 19-1880.

Samuel Handley family.

Samuel Handley (1792-1827) married Almeria Brown (1801-1877) Feb. 3-1820 at Carlisle. The name Handley was changed to Henley.

children:- Otis Hyrum, b. Carlisle, March 14-1821; d. April 25-1871.
Samuel W. b. " Dec. 22-1822;
Andrew b. " Oct. 5-1825;
m. April 29-1852 Hannah E. Cutler.

George Gilbert Wilkins family.

George Gilbert Wilkins (called "Gib" Wilkins) son of George Warren and Lucy (Heald) Wilkins, b. Carlisle, Dec. 2-1857, d. Carlisle, Sept. 23-1922; married Geraldine Green Stearns, May 11-1879. She was b. Carlisle April 16-1861; d. Dec. 1-1898, daughter of Lowell and Esther Maria (Green) Stearns of Carlisle. They had one child, George Guy Wilkins, b. March 31-1883; d. April 19-1883 at Charlestown, Mass.

Lineal Record of George Gilbert Wilkins.

I	Bray Wilkins	(1610-1701-2)	married	Anna Gingell
II	Thomas Wilkins	(1647-1717)	"	Hannah Nichols
III	Isaac Wilkins	(1690-)	"	Anna (Wilkins) Foster
IV	Timothy Wilkins	(1709-)	"	Anna Smith
V	Timothy Wilkins	(1733-1820)	"	Mary Chamberlain
VI	James Wilkins	(1767-1825)	"	Hannah Brown
VII	George Wilkins	(1803-1876)	"	(1st) Esther Munroe
VIII	George Warren Wilkins	(1827-1911)	"	Lucy Heald
IX	George Gilbert Wilkins	(1857-1922)	"	Geraldine Stearns
X	George Guy Wilkins	(1883-1883)		

Wilkins- Hill house-

1- Thomas Hodgman(1640-1729) m- 1661- Katherine More
Residence: Reading, Mass- 1663- Mary( ) Morrill

2- Josiah Webber Hodgman(1668-1748/9 1691- Elizabeth----
(adopted)

3- Thomas Hodgman(1692/ 3-1739) m-1713/4- Abigail Geary
(b. Reading, d. Concord, Mass)

4- Thomas Hodgman(b.about 1716 or 1718)-m- Elizabeth Blood
death date not known

5- Abijah Hodgman(1750-1825) m- 1775-Beulah Kibbey

6- Abijah Hodgman(1775-1864) m- 1801-Abigail Dowse-

7- William Frost Hodgman(1802-1865)m- 1835-Martha Moore[7] Hodgman
(b.Billerica, d. Carlisle)

8- Sarah E. Hodgman(1835-1878) m- 1854-Edward S. Hutchins
Civil War Soldier

FORBUSH-HILL HOUSE
Bedford Road

Historical Sketch

Forbush Family
- Paul Green Forbush
- Charles Forbush

Nathaniel G. Hill Family

Perley Lineal Record

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Forbush house.
built 1800.
By Paul Forbush.
now residence of Nathaniel G. Hill.
Photographed 1932.

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taken 1930.

Rear of old Forbush house.

Forbush house

Betsy Fell —

Macpeds

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The Forbush house.
built 1800.
Bedford Street.

West end. 15

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The Christian door.

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South front.

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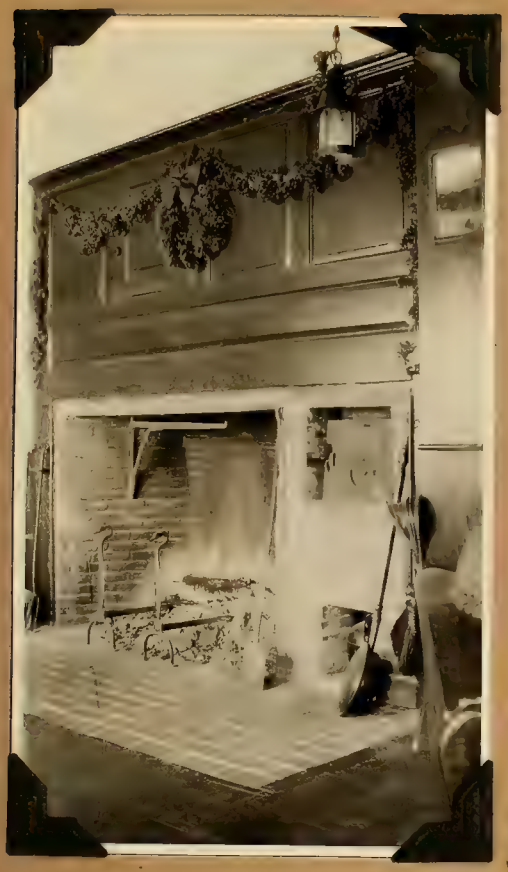

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In the home of Mr + Mrs Nathaniel G. Hill

Old kitchen fireplace

Front door.

East sitting room.

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Photographed 1932.
by Mrs Nathaniel Hill.

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Where Cheerful fires glow.

In the north dining room.

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Photographed by Mrs Nathaniel Hill

Residence of Nathaniel G. Hill - Built 1800.

"The Forbush House."

The Forbush house situated on Bedford Street in the east quarter of Carlisle, in the locality now spoken of as Davisville, was in the Forbush family for nearly a century and a quarter, being owned by three successive generations of Forbushes. In 1929 it became the property of Mr. Nathaniel G. Hill, who came here from Winchester to occupy it in 1931.

Paul Forbush came to Carlisle from Acton, Mass. The house was built in 1800 and became the home of Paul and his wife Hannah (Green) Forbush, who were married in Carlisle, January 15, 1801. Six children were born to them here, and all of their married life they remained in this house. Their son Paul Green Forbush, born Nov. 22-1801 was the second owner of the house, settling the claims of the other heirs, after the death of the parents. Besides serving in a number of town offices, he was connected for some time with the militia, in which he rose from the rank of Ensign to that of Captain. He married Mrs Olive Green, daughter of Leonard and Thankful (Esterbrook) Green, April 2, - 1835 and they were the parents of four children; Olive, Charles, Joseph and Thankful. By her first husband, Samuel Green, she had two daughters, Lydia and Sarah.

Charles Forbush, second child of Paul G. and Olive (Green) Forbush, was the third owner of the ancestral farm. He was born Jan. 11 - 1840 and was educated in the schools of his native town. In 1862 he enlisted in Co. G. 47th Massachusetts Regiment. Assigned to the Nineteenth Army Corps, the regiment served for some time in the Army of the Gulf. He was about a year in the service. After his return he was in the grocery business in Carlisle, and from 1864 to 1878 in Lowell, Mass. In 1878 he moved to the Carlisle homestead, the home of his father and grandfather and became a farmer. He made many radical improvements on the old estate. Originally containing ninety acres, Mr. Forbush added forty-five more; also he built an addition (1895) to the dwelling house and erected new fences and outbuildings. He engaged in market gardening, dairying, and raising of small fruits, employing two men most of the time. He also controlled most of the insurance business

in the town.

On November 24 - 1864 Charles Forbush married Emma L. Edwards of Bedford, Mass. They had one child, Charles Ernest, born, November 18 - 1865, who became a fireman on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, and was killed in a railroad wreck in Wisconsin, December 9 - 1911, when forty-six years of age. He was married in 1893, established a home in Rockford, Ill., but at the time of his death was living in Beloit, Wisconsin.

Mr. Charles Forbush was one of the ten Democrats in town, but was elected to several offices by Republican votes. He held office as chairman of the Board of Selectmen (2 years) Road Surveyor, Road Superintendent, and Road Commissioner, being actively interested in the highways of the town. He first put Bedford Street into a hard surfaced condition which endured for many years beyond expectation. He was also for four years chairman of the Board of Overseers and member of the School Committee. He was a comrade of Old Concord Post, No. 180, G. A. R. of Concord, Mass.

After his death in 1921, the house was closed, pending settlement of the estate. The land court established the title and after a public auction of the house and contents, the Forbush property was acquired by Nathaniel G. Hill, who made extensive repairs and improvements before coming here to live.

[Many of the foregoing facts taken from the Biographical Review.]

The house, facing south, with long back roof line, sits close to the road under huge elms. The front is the original portion, the eastern addition being built about 1878. It has the center front door — a Christian door with double cross panels — and ornamentations of cornice and dentil block pattern. The inside strap hinges on the front door are about a yard long, extending across and down the side, terminating in heart shaped ends. Similar, but shorter ones are on the side door.

The arrangement of rooms is very much like that in all houses of this farm house type. The wainscoting is of wide horizontal boards with

moulding top in both front rooms. In the south-east chamber the base board is peculiar in that the regular baseboard, perhaps eight inches high, is surmounted by a second one about four inches high, giving the effect of a moulding around the floor. There are no original boxed beams. The only beams showing are around the sides and down the corners of the rooms.

The fire places vary in design. In the south-west room down stairs, there is a very chaste moulding design, and in the south-east room a deeper fire place with a brick step. In the north-west room there is an exceedingly large and deep kitchen fire place with the oven beside it. This room has been transformed from the original, by Mr. Hill, but is in perfect keeping with the atmosphere of the old building. In the south-west room there is a door resembling a full sized closet door, beside the fire-place, which opens directly onto the chimney, the reason for which we do not know. It was in this room that Lurana Forbush was born, who married Ai Heald and became the mother of Mrs Lurana (Heald) Carr, the grandmother of Mrs William Clark (Rena Carr) and the great grandmother of Guy, Joseph and Maria Clark, all of Carlisle.

From the cellar stairway, leading from the front hall, is a smoke room large enough for three persons to stand together. The door is very small like a cupboard door, and at the level of the floor. Inside this room the floor seems to be of stones, even with the ground floor of the house, covered with fine ashes or dust. The chimney bricks form a sort of room, lean-to in shape, with open flue above and a nail studded beam upon which to hang things higher than a man ordinarily reaches. It is thought to be a room for smoking bacon, ham, &c., yet the bricks do not seem to be covered with soot. Its actual use is unknown to us.

The interior of the eastern wing, erected about 1878, has been greatly changed, with the introduction of many modern conveniences. The stairways have all been changed, some relocated, with the exception of those leading from the front hall. The small paned windows are not the originals, but have been put there to replace larger ones which had previously

superceded the first small ones.

The beautiful old elms in front of the house have been dying and several had to be removed. Front yard fences have been erected to protect the lillies and other flowers and then removed to give more space to the lawn. Today the picket fence adorns the front, giving an air of peaceful security.

J. Elmer Taylor built a new hay barn for Charles Forbush in the summer of 1908.

Forbush family.

The family was of Scotch ancestry. The immigrant ancestor on the paternal side came from Aberdeen, Scotland, sometime previous to 1700.

Paul Forbush, b. Acton, Mass., January 30 – 1772.
d. Carlisle, Mass., September 24, – 1830, aged 58.
Hannah Green, daughter of Zacheus Green of Carlisle,
b. June 22, – 1778.
d. December 27 – 1851, aged 73.

Married, Carlisle, Mass., January 15 – 1801.

Children: –

1. Paul Green, b. Carlisle, Nov. 22 – 1801, m. Mrs Olive Green, April 2 – 1835, d. April 26 – 1885, aged 83 yrs 5 m. 4 d.
2. Luranah, b. Carlisle, April 1 – 1805, m. 1st. Jefferson Green, Dec. 25 – 1825. m. 2nd. Ai Heald, Jan. 31 – 1837. d. May 31 – 1877, – aged 72 yrs 2 m. 2 children.
3. Sally, b. June 24 – 1809. m. Varnum Munroe, April 25, 1831, lived in the Austin Davis house and kept a store there. 5 children. d. April 17 – 1870 aged 60 yrs, 9 m. 23 d.
4. Maria, b. Dec. 27 – 1811, m. Captain Thomas Green, Dec. 22 – 1840 or 41. d. Jan. 10 – 1897.
5. George, b. Sept. 10 – 1815. m. Harriet (Augusta) Richardson, of Hennikar, N. H. May 15 – 1843. d. March 18 – 1865, leaving one son, George W. Forbush of Danvers port, Mass, whose wife, Fannie M. d. April 23 – 1914 at Danvers, Mass. She was for many years a resident of Carlisle.
6. Louisa Electa, b. Nov. 17 – 1821, m. Samuel E. Scott of Westford, Mass., May 12 – 1844. d. Carlisle July 30 – 1852.
   ch: Amanda Electra, b. Westford, April 5 – 1845. m. Nathaniel Taylor (b. Jan 6 – 1837, d. Aug 21 – 1890) d. Aug 22 – 1879.

Paul Green Forbush.

Paul Green Forbush, b. November 22-1801
d. April 26-1885, aged 83 yrs, 5 m. 4 d.
Mrs Olive Green, daughter of Leonard and Thankful (Esterbrook) Green, a native of Carlisle, b. June 9-1799
d. June 15-1874, aged 75 yrs. 5 d.

Married, April 2-1835, Carlisle, Mass.

They had four children. (By her first husband, Samuel Green, she had two daughters: Lydia, who d. unmarried in 1877, aged 56, and Sarah, who became the wife of John D. A. Green and d. at the age of 46, leaving one daughter, A. Thankful.)

1. Olive Lavinia, b. Dec. 6-1836, Carlisle, and d. unmarried, Jan. 4-1885.
2. Charles, b. Jan. 11-1840, and d. May 7-1921, aged 81 yrs, 3 m. 26 d.
3. Joseph, b. Dec. 12 (14) 1841, and remained on the farm. Never married. Was drafted in the Civil War, but procured a substitute. d. Feb. 3-1879.
4. Thankful Augusta, b. Dec. 8-1842, and became the wife of William A. Ingham, and d. August 22-1866, aged 23 yrs, 8 m.

Charles Forbush.

Charles Forbush, b. Jan. 11-1840, Carlisle, Mass.
d. May 7-1921, " "
Emma L. Edwards, dau. of William A. and Emeline (Haynes) Edwards, (another record says Robert W. Edwards)
b. Bedford, Mass., April 8-1846
d. Carlisle, Mass, Oct. 16-1905, aged 59 yrs. 6 m. 8 d.

Married, November 24-1864, Carlisle.

1 Child:-

Charles Ernest, b. Lowell, Mass., Nov. 18-1865.
m. 1893.
d. Dec. 9-1911 aged 46 yrs. 21 d.

CARLISLE

Death of Charles Forbush, Civil War Veteran and Well Known Resident.

1921

Carlisle, May 11.

The funeral services of Charles Forbush, one of Carlisle's most respected citizens, whose death occurred on Saturday last at his home in Bedford road, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his home and were attended by a large gathering of relatives, neighbors and friends, together with a delegation of Concord Post, 180, G. A. R. Rev. J. H. Crooker, D. D., minister of the First Parish Unitarian church, conducted the service. Miss Leila S. Bull of Billerica, sang three selections, "God's Ways Are the Best," "Sometime We'll Understand" and "The Faded Coat of Blue." The Grand Army service was conducted by Old Concord Post, 180, of which deceased was a member. The bearers were George E. Wilkins, Benjamin F. Blaisdell, James S. Anthony and Frank J. Biggi. Comrade Everett E. Lapham was color bearer. Burial was in the family lot in Green cemetery where the committal service was read by Rev. Dr. Crooker. Beautiful flowers covered the grave. Funeral arrangements were in charge of T. A. Green, assisted by W. Herbert Blake of Lowell.

Charles Forbush was born in 1840 in the home where he died and was aged 81 years, 3 months and 26 days. He was a son of the late Paul G. and Olive (Green) Forbush and was the last member of a family of four sisters and one brother. Living here until a young man he for some years worked at the grocery trade with William A. Ingham of Lowell. Later he returned to town and settled on the farm where he remained the rest of his life time. He was mustered into the service on Oct. 16, 1862 as a member of Co. G of the 47th regiment and was discharged Sept. 1, 1863. Mr. Forbush was a member of the First Parish Unitarian church, serving on the parish committee and also as a trustee for many years. In town affairs he served as selectman, school committeeman, highway commissioner and for many years was a member of the Memorial day committee. He was associated with the Middlesex Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Concord. Although not enjoying his usual health for some months, he was able to be out of doors until within a few weeks of his final illness. Mr. Forbush was highly respected, a good neighbor, one who took a great interest in all affairs of the town and will be greatly missed in this neighborhood.

Out of respect to the late Charles Forbush the town flag has flown at half staff for the past four days.

Nathaniel G. Hill.

Nathaniel Gilman Hill, b. Charlestown, Mass., May 6 - 1869
son of Nathaniel Ela and Caroline Gilman (Tufts) Hill.
m. Alice Howard Perley, b. Lynn, Mass. Dec. 29 - 1873,
dau. of Howard and Eliza Frances (Warner) Perley of Lynn.
Mr. Hill was paymaster of the Boston & Maine Railroad.
After living in Lynn, the family removed to Winchester, Mass. and then to Carlisle in June, 1931.
Mrs Hill is a descendant of Allan Perley who came from Wales, England to New England in the fleet with Governor Winthrop and located in Charlestown, Mass. July 12 - 1630, when 22 years of age.

Children of Nathaniel G. & Alice (Perley) Hill :- (m. Oct 4 - 1900)

1. Eleanor Gilman
2. Frances Warner
3. Caroline P

Perley lineal record.

I Allan Perley, b. Wales, England, 1608, d. Ipswich Mass - 1675.
II Thomas Perley, b. Ipswich, Mass. 1641, d. Boxford, Mass - 1709
III Thomas Perley, b. E. Boxford, " 1668, d. there, 1745.
IV Asa Perley b. E. Boxford, " 1716, d. " 1806
V Maj. Samuel Perley, b. E. Boxford, " 1757, d. " 1807
VI Dr. Daniel Perley, b. Boxford, " 1804, d. Lynn, Mass 1881
VII Howard Perley b. Lynn, " 1838, d. " " 1899
VIII Alice Howard Perley, b. " " 1873,
m. Nathaniel Gilman Hill.

The famous Boxford elm planted about 1761 by the sons of Asa[4] Perley stands before the house built by Asa to replace one built in 1684 by his grandfather. This elm is considered the largest in the County.

Rev. Benson Perley Wilkins of Carlisle is also a descendant of Allan[1] Perley through Asa[4] Perley, the latter being his great-great grandfather.

GREEN-JOHNSON HOUSE
Prospect Street

Historical Sketch

Reuben Green Family

Thaddeus Blood Family

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Home of Mons Johnson-
called Vieira place;
also Reuben Green place.

Built by Reuben Green[2]
1819.

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photographed 1931.
by Mrs B. P. Wilkins.

Mous Johnson residence - Built 1819.

Some distance in on Prospect Street, an unaccepted road leading to the north-west from River Street near the Concord-Carlisle line, stands a little low structure facing east, with pitch roof whose long back line comes clear down to the top of the first story windows. Inside there are three rooms, — living room, bed room and kitchen. The corner posts are visible in the south front room and the ceilings are less than seven feet from the floor. The plain wood mantel remains in place showing where the brick fire-place has been sealed up. Back of the chimney is a long narrow closet extending nearly across the house. The cellar-way leads from the living room and the attic stair-way from the entry, concealed from view. There is only an unfinished room upstairs. At first this must have been a two room house, with the ell containing an additional room built later. No early hardware is to be found and few evidences of fine building, yet it is today a comfortable little farm house.

The old road on which this house is located once went through the woods and fields from River Street to a point near Mr. Edward Kemp's house on Bedford St. It roughly paralleled Stearns Street when that was the main thorough-fare from Billerica to Concord. The road then passed between the house and barn, which was situated near it's northern end. Evidences of this old highway can be seen in parallel walls, stone culverts, and lines of trees, otherwise obliterated, except as short portions are used for wood roads, foot paths and farm lanes.

This farm of about fifty acres has been alternately in Carlisle and Concord, but when the line was finally straightened it became a part of Carlisle. On the 1779 map it appears as if Nathan Buttrix lived on or near this site. I can find no other record of him.

The present house was probably built in 1819 by Reuben Green[7] at the time of his marriage to Martha Hodgman. It is interesting to note how the new pioneer homes were located near the parental roofs. The Hodgmans lived not far away, to the east, where

Mr Mason Garfield now lives (1931) and the Reuben Greens lived to the west where Mr. E. F. Bearce resides.

Reuben Green[8], who married Louisa Paine in 1848 lived here till 1863 at which time they moved to North Woburn, Mass. Marshall Mason had the place after Reuben Green[8] and it was once rented to Mr. Henry K. Heald; the house was then in Concord and the barn in Carlisle

In the 1780 Carlisle valuation of property, it gives Antonio R. Vieria as owner, hence the name "Vieria place" by which it has been known for many years. Antonio Vieria was a Portuguese. His father and mother lived there and he was born there. He became a petty thief and after the disappearance of numerous small articles from a local store, his house was suspected and searched, revealing many of the missing articles. The farm was not improved under the Vieria ownership.

Since Wm & Mrs Mons Johnson came here, the property has been greatly improved. Several attempts have been made to have the town accept the road from River Street to this house, and considering the work put into the farm and the industry of the present owners in erecting an excellent new large barn, it seems as if they were entitled to a town road. For one hundred and twelve years this farm has been occupied, possibly longer, but at certain seasons of the year it is almost inaccessible, although situated on comparatively level ground.

To the east, between this house and River Street, there once stood a house on the south side of Prospect Street, which was one of the Blood homes, last occupied by two maiden sisters, Sally and Polly (Sarah and Mary) Blood, probably descendants of John Blood who appears to have lived on that site in 1779. The "old maid Bloods" were supplied with all the necessities of life, yet preferred to work hard and save. One of their odd ways was to pick berries by moon light, believing in industry early and late. They died about 1870 being then quite old, and were buried in Concord. The last survivors made a will leaving most of their money to the town of Concord but reserved a valuable wood lot which they gave to a neighbor Marshall Mason because of his kindness to them. Smaller bequests went to other neighbors who were good to them.

The old house in which they had lived gradually disappeared and a new house has been built on the old site.
This and the Green-Vieira-Johnson place were both originally included in the aggregation called Blood's Farms.

Martha F. Wilkins 1931.

Reuben Green.

Reuben Green[6] (John Jr[5], John[4], Samuel[3]) third son of John Green, Jr and Elizabeth (Spaulding) Green,
b. Concord, July 7-1767
d. December 8-1836 - 69 years old.
m. Carlisle, Sept 20-1789 Lydia Hartwell (b. Concord, July 22-1770 d. Carlisle, Oct. 23-1843, dau. David & Rachel (Wooley) Hartwell).
children, all born in Carlisle.

1. John, b. Nov. 30-1789, d. Nov. 21-1870
2. Stephen, b. Dec. 27-1791 d. young
3. Reuben b. Jan 27-1795
4. Abel, b. June 22-1797
5. William b. 1801
6. Franklin b. 1807
7. Stephen b. d. Sept 25-1825, 9 years old.

This family lived on the site of the present residence of Mr. Eugene F. Bearce (1931). Mrs Green was very moderate in her ways and it is remembered that "Aunt Reuben" did not get around to make her Thanksgiving pies until Thanksgiving morning, so did not earn the reputation of being "forehanded".

Reuben Green[7] (Reuben[6], John Jr[5]) son of Reuben and Lydia (Hartwell) Green, Builder of the Moses Johnson House.
b. Jan. 27-1795, Carlisle
d. May 20-1826, Carlisle
m. Carlisle, May 16-1819, Martha Hodgman (b. 1796, d. Carlisle Feb. 22-1853, dau. of
children, all born in Carlisle:-

1. Charles, b. Aug 1820, d. Carlisle Nov. 13-1843
2. An infant b. d. Aug. 22-1822.
3. An infant d. Aug. 28-1824
4. Reuben, b. Feb. 20-1826

Reuben Green[8] (Reuben[7], Reuben[6], John Jr[5]) son of Reuben and Martha (Patty) (Hodgman) Green,
b. Carlisle, Feb 20-1826
d. North Woburn, Mass.
m. Oct. 24-1848 Louisa Paine (b. Carlisle July 20-1831 d. North Woburn, Mass.

Reuben[8] enlisted Sept. 3 - 1864 in Co. B - 11th Mass Vols - Mustered out June 4 - 1865. Was in Seige of Petersburg,

Children

1. Martha, b. Carlisle Aug 11 - 1849, died young -
2. Ellen F. " Jan 2 - 1852
3. Charles B " Jan 24 - 1853
4. Alvin T - " Dec 7 - 1854
5. Arthur W. " Sept 28 - 1857
6. Frank Parker, b - N. Woburn, April 22 - 1868 -
   d - June 13 - 1879 -

This family removed to N. Woburn in 1863 -

Thaddeus Blood-

Thaddeus[5] Blood (Josiah[4], John[3], Josiah[2] Robert[1]) b- May 28-1755, d- March 14-1844 aged 89, son of Josiah and Sarah Blood- He m. Hannah- - - - - - - - who d- Sept. 4-1829 aged 79-
children:

1. Hannah, b- May 8-1781, d. May 9-1801, aged 20-
2. Polly, b- July 8-1783
3. Perez, b- Aug 19-1785
4. Cynthy b- Sept-19-1787, d. May 8-1801 aged 13-
5. Sally, b- May 29-1792.

Polly and Sally, who outlived Perez- were maiden ladies and commonly known as "the old maid Bloods." Both made wills leaving most of their property to the town of Concord, but one bequest was the gift of a valuable wood lot to a neighbor named Mason, because of kindness rendered to them in their loneliness and old age.

The house in which they lived crumbled away after their death- It stood on the site of the present Manuel Burbank house on Prospect Street near the Concord line-

Thaddeus Blood was the last man in Concord who was at the Concord Fight. (p. 409, Concord vital records.)

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